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COMMENT OF THE DAY

NEARING THE "SUMMIT"?

THE Soviet Union has replied to a United States note which has asked whether the Russians wanted a "summit" conference merely as a spectacle or to take meaningful decisions. So far, however, it is not known whether the Russian leaders have answered the question.

The State Department has let it be known that a good deal could depend on the Soviet answer to the essential question posed in the aide-memoire.

The United States wants a meeting of heads of governments to take decisions which will begin seriously to resolve at least some of the important political issues, inaugurate some significant steps to limit armament, and by such decisions, create an atmosphere conducive to further settlements.

Anything less would not respond to the hopes, indeed to the legitimate demands of mankind.

Held Off

PRESIDENT Eisenhower has apparently deliberately held off a reply to the last summit letter from Marshal Bulganin, the Soviet Prime Minister, until the Russians have answered the United States Government's question.

The immediate point at issue in the long correspondence on the subject of a possible summit conference is how the groundwork for it should be laid and by whom.

The United States and its allies want a thorough discussion of the fundamental problems at ambassadorial level followed, if necessary, by a Foreign Ministers conference. But this would take time and delay a summit conference probably until later in the year.

Limited

THE Soviet Union, pushing for a meeting as soon as possible, has proposed up to now that the Foreign Ministers should meet for the limited purpose of listing an agenda without substantive discussions in order that the heads of governments could convene in June.

The United States, for its part has insisted on an agenda including, among other subjects, disarmament, control of outer space, German reunification, the right of Eastern European states to choose their own form of government and strengthening of the United Nations by restrictions on the big Power veto.

It is unlikely that the Russians will agree to any talks involving the reunification of Germany or "interference" in the form of government in the Eastern European countries.

Unacceptable

MANY of the Russian proposals, too, will be unacceptable to the Western Powers and they include control of outer space tied to the elimination of overseas bases, and the reduction of foreign troops and the establishment of a nuclear-free zone in Central Europe.

The United States note of March 6 dealt almost entirely with the widely differing views of the United States and the Soviet Union on the approach to the summit.

Presumably, therefore, the Soviet reply will also concentrate on the issue of an agenda and under what conditions it might be discussed. The matter at stake now seems to be whether they should build up to a summit conference as proposed by the United States, or work down from it as the Soviet Union has demanded.

ATROCITIES IN SUMATRA

Rebels Have Throats Cut

By WENDELL S. MERICK

Bukittinggi, Mar. 24. Central Government troops ambushed and cut the throats of 19 rebels at Pematang Siantar a week ago, an official of the Revolutionary Government reported today.

Col. Mohammed Djambek, Interior Minister in the Rebel Government gave bare details of the massacre as fighting continued for the seventh day at Pematang Siantar, south of Medan.

He said the ambush occurred on March 17 when a rebel Lieutenant-Colonel named Hutauruk and six other officers and 24 soldiers slipped into the town to confer with Maj. Manap Lubis, Military Commander, who allegedly had indicated willingness to join the rebels.

Jumped Them

Djambek said they negotiated throughout the day. The rebel delegation was invited to dinner, after which a larger band of Government troops jumped them, killed 19, including Hutauruk, and wounded several others in a throat-cutting orgy.

EMBASSY SWITCH

Rome, Mar. 24. Indonesian Ambassador in Rome Sultan Mohammed Rasjid and six other accredited Indonesian diplomats in Europe have switched their allegiance to the Rebel Government in Padang, Sumatra, the Italian Continental News Agency reported tonight.

The names of the other six diplomats were not revealed. The names of the other six diplomats were not revealed.

Other rebel soldiers who had been hiding nearby to await the outcome of the conference heard the fight, rushed to their comrades' aid, and saved those not already killed.

Djambek said it was obvious that the massacre had been well-planned. He called it "treachery."

The official said fighting was still going on today at Pematang Siantar, some 50 miles from the port of Medan which is in Central Government hands.

There was no information available here on the number of troops in action at Pematang Siantar.

Red Cross

In other developments: The Revolutionary Government announced that Mr. Assati, independent member of the Indonesian Government, arrived on Sumatra to join the rebels. He once was Acting President of Indonesia.

The rebels also announced that two Red Cross ships, the *Laos* and the *Leopold*, will not be permitted to dock at Padang and take aboard civilians who want to be evacuated. The ships anchored off Padang yesterday.

Rebel officials said Djakarta was using them for propaganda purposes. The Indonesian Antara News Agency, quoting "loyalist Army information sources," reported today that Central Government forces have cleared a key railway near Medan of rebel troops.

The News Agency, in a dispatch originating in Medan and monitored in Tokyo, said that the Langkat Regency, also known as Kabupaten, between the North Sumatran capital of Medan and Aceh Province to the north, "has now been cleared of remnants of rebel (Major Boyko) Nanggolan troops."—United Press.

UNKNOWN COMPONENT IN CIGARETTE

SMOKE FOUND

Norman, Okla., Mar. 24. UNIVERSITY of Oklahoma research chemists announced today they have discovered a new component in cigarette smoke, but they don't know whether it is harmful.

The "previously unknown component" was identified as copolein, a compound which previously has been found in the roots of many plants and

in green tobacco leaves. The Director of the University's Research Institute, Dr. Verne Kennedy Jr., said the discovery should lead to further research on the chemical's effects on the human body.

The find was reported in the latest issue of the *Journal of Organic Chemistry* by Dr. Simon H. Wender, University biochemist, and two students.

Chao Wei-yang, a graduate of National Taiwan University, Formosa, and Yasuaki Nakagawa, of Japan, Kennedy declared, "There are no overtones in the report linking this component with cancer of the lungs." He said so far as he knew "no studies of its effects on humans or animals have been undertaken."—United Press.

Cypriots Prepare To Celebrate TERRORISTS ATTACK TROOPS

Nicosia, Mar. 24.

Security authorities tonight completed large scale plans to deal with any trouble arising from tomorrow's "biggest ever" celebrations to mark Greek Independence Day.

EARL RUSSELL'S CALL TO BAN THE H-BOMB

London, Mar. 24. Earl Russell (Bertrand Russell, the philosopher) tonight described as "absolutely insane fanaticism" the belief that destruction by nuclear bombs was preferable to submission to a hostile power.

He was speaking in a filmed interview on Independent (commercial) Television.

The 86-year-old Nobel prize winner declared: "There have been bad conquerors in the past—take for instance the Mongols, who were cruel and abominable beyond all measure in the time of Genghis Khan."

"In the time of his grandson, Kubla Khan, Emperor of China, they were most civilized, humane and charming folk."

UNPLEASANT

Earl Russell added: "Now, if the Communists conquered the world, it would be very unpleasant for a while, but not for ever."

"But if the human race is wiped out that is the end."

He said he would like the Government to announce that it would have nothing further to do with the manufacture of H-bombs, and that it would not have rocket sites stationed in this country.—Reuter.

First Death Sentence

Rabat, Mar. 24.

A Moroccan Court today passed the first death sentence since independence on two French officers.

The two officers, Colonel Tubert and Commandant Valache, were condemned—in their absence—together with a Moroccan, Dhes Ben Bachir El Rifi, for making attempts against the external security of the state. It was alleged that El Rifi had, in 1954 and 1955, passed information to the French Officers who were commanding French troops fighting against the Moroccan Army of Liberation.—Reuter.

Rebel Girl Collectors

Alders, Mar. 24.

A ring of rebel girls who allegedly served as spies, liaison agents, secretaries and fund collectors for the insurgents has been broken up in Western Algeria, authorities said today.

They said 12 girls already have been arrested at Tiemcen, between Oran and the Moroccan border, with more arrests expected.

According to captured documents, one team of girls raised 6,000,000 francs (US\$15,708) in four months in Tiemcen alone, authorities said.—United Press.

Caribbean Visit

London, Mar. 24.

Princess Margaret will leave London aboard a Britannia liner on April 10 for a trip to British possessions in the Caribbean. It was disclosed here today.

She will visit Trinidad, British Guiana, Honduras and Gunder before returning to London on May 7.—France-Press.

DUEL OVER PARIS BALLET

Paris, Mar. 24. The Marquis George de Cuevas, 73-year-old Chilean-born American ballet impresario, declared today he "would have like to use a whip" in his forthcoming duel with Serge Lifar, 52-year-old Russian-born choreographer at the Paris opera.

Seconds for the two adversaries had announced that they had agreed on a time and place—to be kept secret—for a duel "with swords until first blood is drawn."

Duelling is illegal in France. The conflict arose out of a dispute at the opening of the

Cuevas Ballet at the Theatre des Champs Elysees on last Friday night.

Lifar had taken steps to forbid the presentation of his ballet *Noir et Blanc* but the Marquis announced that he would go ahead with the show anyway.—France-Press.

Hoisting The Red Flag, A Private Action: Japan

Tokyo, Mar. 25.

The Japanese Justice Ministry feels that the hoisting of the Communist Chinese flag over Chinese trade missions here must be interpreted as "private action," Justice Ministry sources reported today.

The sources said such action must be considered the same as that taken by private firms and individuals.

The issue of the flags has come up under the "private" trade agreement signed between Japanese trade organizations and Peking.

The agreement has raised bitter reaction in Peking, which has severed trade relations with Japan. The Nationalist Chinese have been particularly incensed over provisions of the private trade agreement, which would authorize the raising of the Communist flag over the Communist trade mission which would be established here under the agreement.

RECOGNITION

The Nationalist Chinese say that allowing the flag to be raised would amount to recognition of the Peking Government.

The Ministry sources said, however, that this was not so. They pointed out that there are no diplomatic relations between Tokyo and Peking and that Communist trade representatives who do come will not be given diplomatic privileges.

Meanwhile, Japanese negotiators of the trade agreement on Monday sought government approval for the pact. It must be approved by both the Chinese and Japanese governments before it goes into force.—United Press.

PAUL BUTLER SAYS: RECESSION WAS PLANNED

Delaware, Mar. 24. Democrat Party National Chairman, Mr. Paul Butler charged today the Republican Administration deliberately planned the present depression as a means of economic readjustment but that it later got out of control.

Mr. Butler, in a prepared address to the Wesleyan University student body here, said the administration started putting on the brakes after the train had already slowed down and thus threw the nation into a complete slump.

The Administration finally agreed to act and now is presiding as example of Republican authority the very measures it condemned a few weeks ago, Mr. Butler added.

He referred to the slump as "the Second Eisenhower-Nixon recession."—France-Press.

QUEEN LEAVES FOR NETHERLANDS

London, Mar. 24. Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh sailed from Harwich this evening on the Royal yacht *Britannia* for the Netherlands.

They are expected to arrive in Amsterdam tomorrow to begin a three-day official visit.

The *Britannia* put to sea in bitter cold weather, through a light fog, and headed for stormy seas.

Weather forecasts predicted a rough crossing of the North Sea, with high winds sometimes reaching tempest force.

The royal yacht is being escorted by the frigates *Grenville*, *Pellow* and *Paladin*.—France-Press.

DEFENCE SECRETS FOR LABOUR?

London, Mar. 24.

The Prime Minister and the leader of the Opposition are expected to discuss tomorrow whether the Government should give confidential defence information to Opposition leaders.

Informed quarters tonight said this meeting between Mr. Harold Macmillan and Mr. Hugh Gaitskell would take place in the House of Commons.

The Defence Committee of the Labour Party met at the House, tonight and discussed this question, it was learned.

OPPOSITION

Many Labour members of Parliament are known to be opposed to receiving secret defence information on the grounds that it lies their hands and hampers criticism of the Conservative administration.

The Labour Defence Committee also returned to the question of the hydrogen bomb.

Some members it was learned, spoke very forcibly in favour of Britain renouncing use of nuclear weapons unilaterally. They were answered by Mr. George Brown, "Minister of Defence" in the Party's "Shadow Cabinet" who expounded the official Labour view as expressed in the resolution of the Brighton Conference last September.—Reuter.

Survival

Athens, Mar. 24. Five crew members and one passenger of the Greek motorship *Dodecanesos* swam to safety to the Turkish coast after the ship foundered in a violent storm off Cape Cavoyos, Turkey, on Saturday night, the Greek Merchant Marine Ministry announced today.

They are the only survivors reported so far among the ship's 20 passengers and 10 crew members.—France-Press.

Russian Diplomat Vanishes From Cambodia

Saigon, Mar. 24. Vladimir Lukashkevich, Second Secretary of the Russian Embassy in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, disappeared from there 10 days ago and it is believed he sought political asylum in another country, it was reported today.

A spokesman for the Cambodian Foreign Ministry said the Russian diplomat was issued an exit visa but "the Ministry does not have to concern itself with what happened to him."

Defected

According to French Press reports, the story that Lukashkevich defected has been circulating widely in Phnom Penh since he disappeared on the night of March 13-14.

These reports said that Lukashkevich recently was recalled to Moscow and that his wife and children left Cambodia before his disappearance. The Russian diplomat's position would indicate he had access to confidential documents, observers said.


According to some reports it is believed he went to Tokyo or Paris.—United Press.

Opera Ban

Bangkok, Mar. 24. The Thai Police have banned public performances of Chinese operas and plays, police sources said.

They said these performances which attract large street crowds hold up traffic and obstructed the work of fire brigades.—Reuter.

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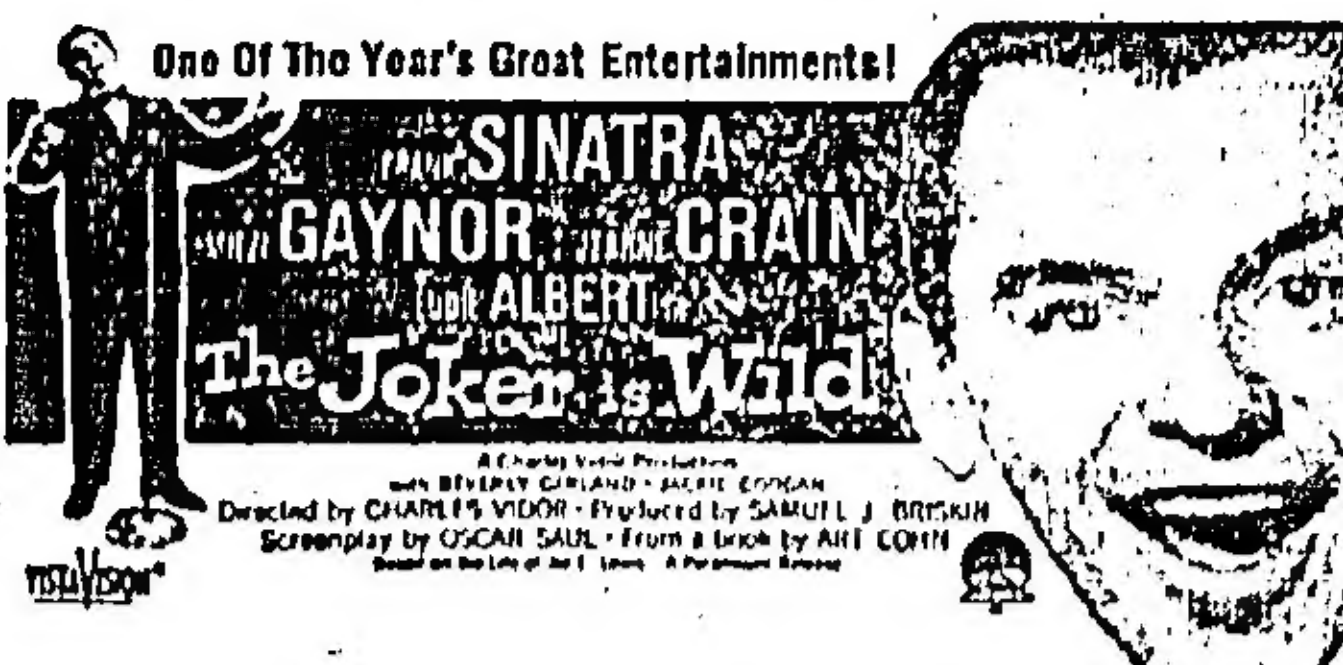
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UNDERGROUND CHURCH CONSECRATED IN LOURDES

Lourdes, Mar. 24. Thirty Archbishops and Bishops were among 40,000 pilgrims who today watched the consecration ceremony of a huge semi-underground church, built for pilgrims to this Catholic shrine.

Cardinal Ruffini, the Patriarch of Venice assisted by five Archbishops, conducted the blessing of the church half sunken in the ground and covered with a layer of turf.

Owing to the size of the church—200 metres long and 81 metres wide—the Cardinal drove round it in a jeep, sprinkling holy water on its sides as he went.

Each time the Cardinal passed in front of the main entrance, he knocked at the door. The third time he made the sign of the Cross before knocking in to be admitted.

Then, followed by the assembled clergy, to the church of the "Veni Creator," the Cardinal walked up the aisle to the altar, an immense stone weighing 3,200 kilos, where he performed the ceremony of consecration.—Ituter.

Satellite

Cape Canaveral, Mar. 24. The United States Army is expected to attempt to launch another Explorer earth satellite this week. Specialists at the missile testing centre here said preparations for a new launching attempt were well-advanced.—France-Press.

"So Sorry!" Says US Air Force

Brisbane, Mar. 24. THE United States Fifth Air Force has apologized to the clergy in Brisbane and Ipswich for disrupting church services yesterday.

It has also apologized for the windows shattered in houses when two US fighters broke the sound barrier.

Citizens yesterday complained that jets which buzzed Brisbane and Ipswich between 11 a.m. and noon drowned the voices of preachers and upset congregations.

The officer in charge of the Fifth Air Force task force mission, Colonel A. M. Henry, said today the two fighters, flying at nearly 800 miles an hour, were to have broken the sound barrier at a field near Amberley, but they were a little astray.—China Mail Special.

THE ABOLITION OF SLAVERY

New York, Mar. 24. Pakistan today ratified the United Nations International Convention on the Abolition of Slavery.

The Convention came into force on April 30, 1957 and has been ratified by Malaya, Australia, Ecuador, Cambodia, Haiti, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Laos, the Netherlands, Rumania, Sudan, the Soviet Union and Britain.—Reuter.

Exchange Open

Buenos Aires, Mar. 24. The Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, closed since February 2 because of a strike of bank clerks, reopened today.—Reuter.

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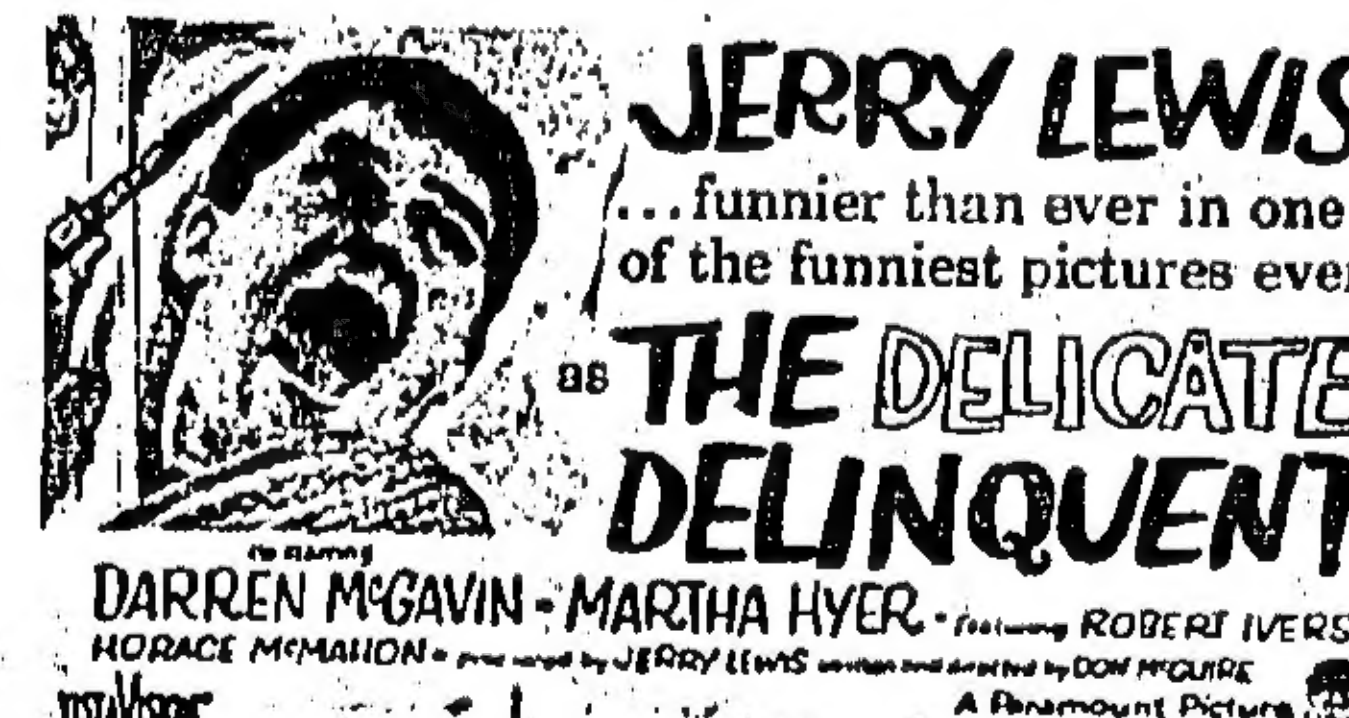
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One-Party General Elections Begin In Cold Weather

Belgrade, Mar. 24.

First results of Yugoslavia's one-party general election today indicated a record poll, with a slightly increased vote for President Tito's Communist Government.

District-by-district voting figures showed that in most places more than 90 per cent of the electorate cast votes in the election yesterday despite wintry weather.

Voters elected 301 deputies to the People's Assembly, but in only six districts did they have a choice of candidates. They also voted for 810 members of Republican assemblies, with a choice of 884 candidates.

The Communists are the only party allowed in Yugoslavia, and no political issues were at stake. Even in the districts where a contest took place, it was between personalities and the rival candidates were approved by the Socialist Alliance, the Communist Party's mass organization.

The result can be only a confidence vote for the Tito regime. There were signs that fewer people abstained than at the last election in 1953, but preliminary reports indicated a similar number of negative votes—nobody could vote against the government but they could lodge "invalid" votes by omitting to circle the candidate's number or spoiling the ballot paper.

Negative

In the Cukarica district of Belgrade, President Tito was returned to Parliament with 99.3 per cent of the votes cast, and there were 240 negative votes.

All other top leaders were also elected. The number of negative votes generally was less than five per cent but at Slovenske, Slovenia, 15.2 per cent were counted. In two other Slovenian

US Authors

London, Mar. 24. Radio Moscow reported today that demand for books by American authors is increasing every year in Russia. The broadcast said more than 4,000,000 books by American authors were published in Russia in the last three months of 1957.—United Press.

Allegation

Bonn, Mar. 24. The Yemeni Legation in Bonn today alleged that British troops in Aden attacked the Yemeni town of Assowmah with tanks on March 20, destroying "a large number" of houses and killing "many" people.—Reuter.

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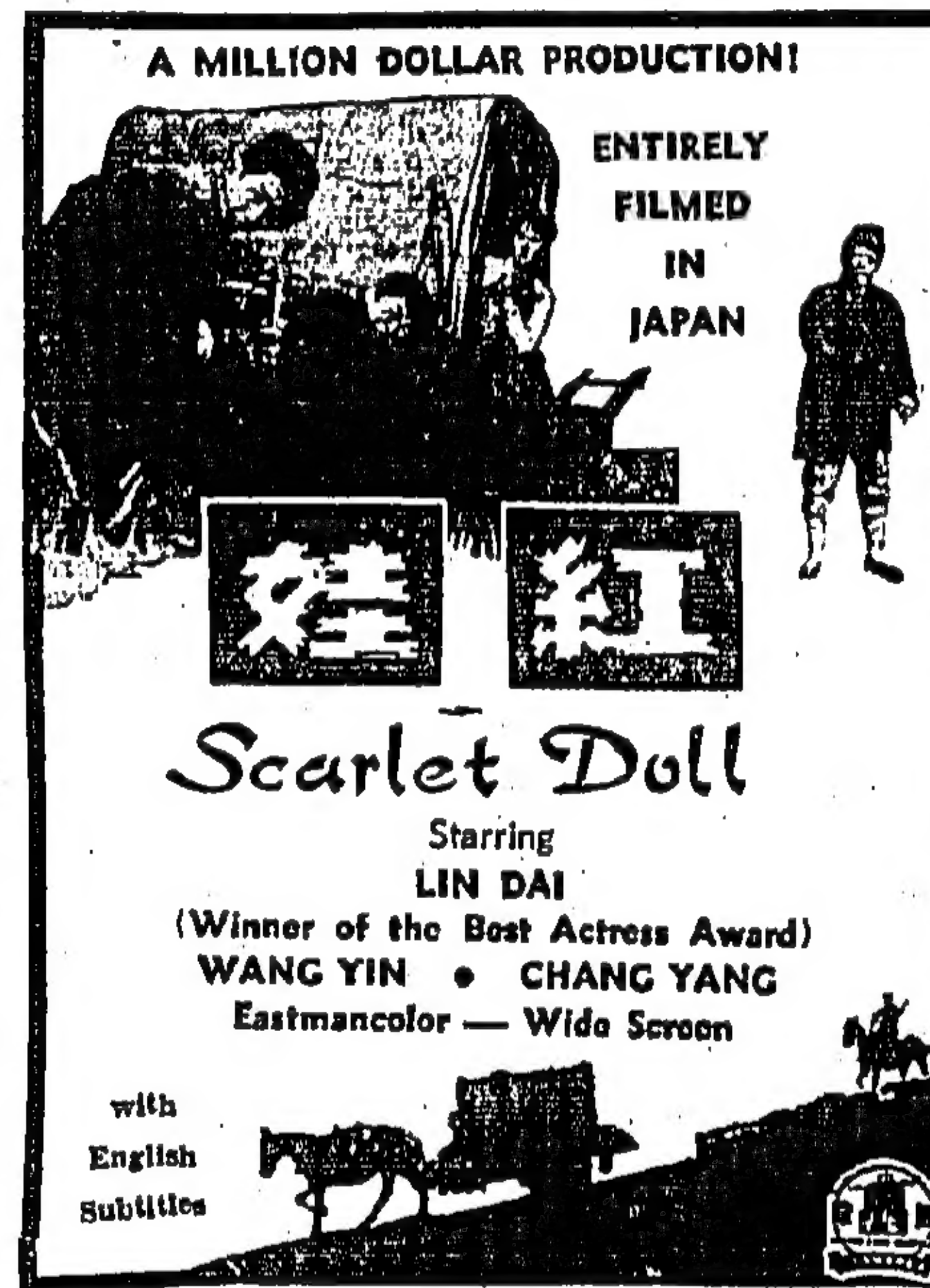
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CABLE BRIEFS

Washington, Mar. 24.
Sen. Paul H. Douglas (Democrat-Illinois), a former college economics professor, offered these definitions yesterday:
A depression is "A decline of less than major proportions."
A recession is "A decline of more than major proportions."
and what we're in now is "A serious recession."—United Press.

Hollywood, Mar. 24.
M-G-M had some real gold ore mined at Kingman, Arizona, and shipped here for use in a movie. When it arrived, prop men gave it a good spraying with gold paint because "it didn't look real."—United Press.

New York, Mar. 24.
Overheard, in two separate conversations, at the current showing of paintings by Sir Winston Churchill:
"I still say he's a writer."
"Well, yes, it is art."—United Press.

Blandford, Mar. 24.
Residents of this hill town kept their sense of humor despite recent heavy snows.
A sign atop a huge pile of the white stuff says: "Caution: Polar Bear Crossing."—United Press.

New Haven, Mar. 24.
Walter Sanford, accused of looting a store, told police: "I needed the money to pay court costs of traffic violations."—United Press.

Providence, Mar. 24.
March 23 is an easy date for the family of Vincent Monti to remember.

Yesterday, a daughter was born to the Montis. Their first daughter was born on March 23 and Monti and his wife were born on March 23.—United Press.

Greenlee, Mar. 24.
David Ramsey and his wife Mary had twin girls yesterday, making their family nine in all. Only unusual aspect of the birth was that David is 86. His wife is 35.
Ramsey, a retired ship's engineer, said he has kept his youthfulness by "eating a plate of porridge every day and working hard."—United Press.

London, Mar. 24.
Air transport, used by the British forces in the ill-fated expedition in the Suez Canal zone in the autumn of 1956 cost the British Treasury £850,000. It was officially announced here today.—France-Press.

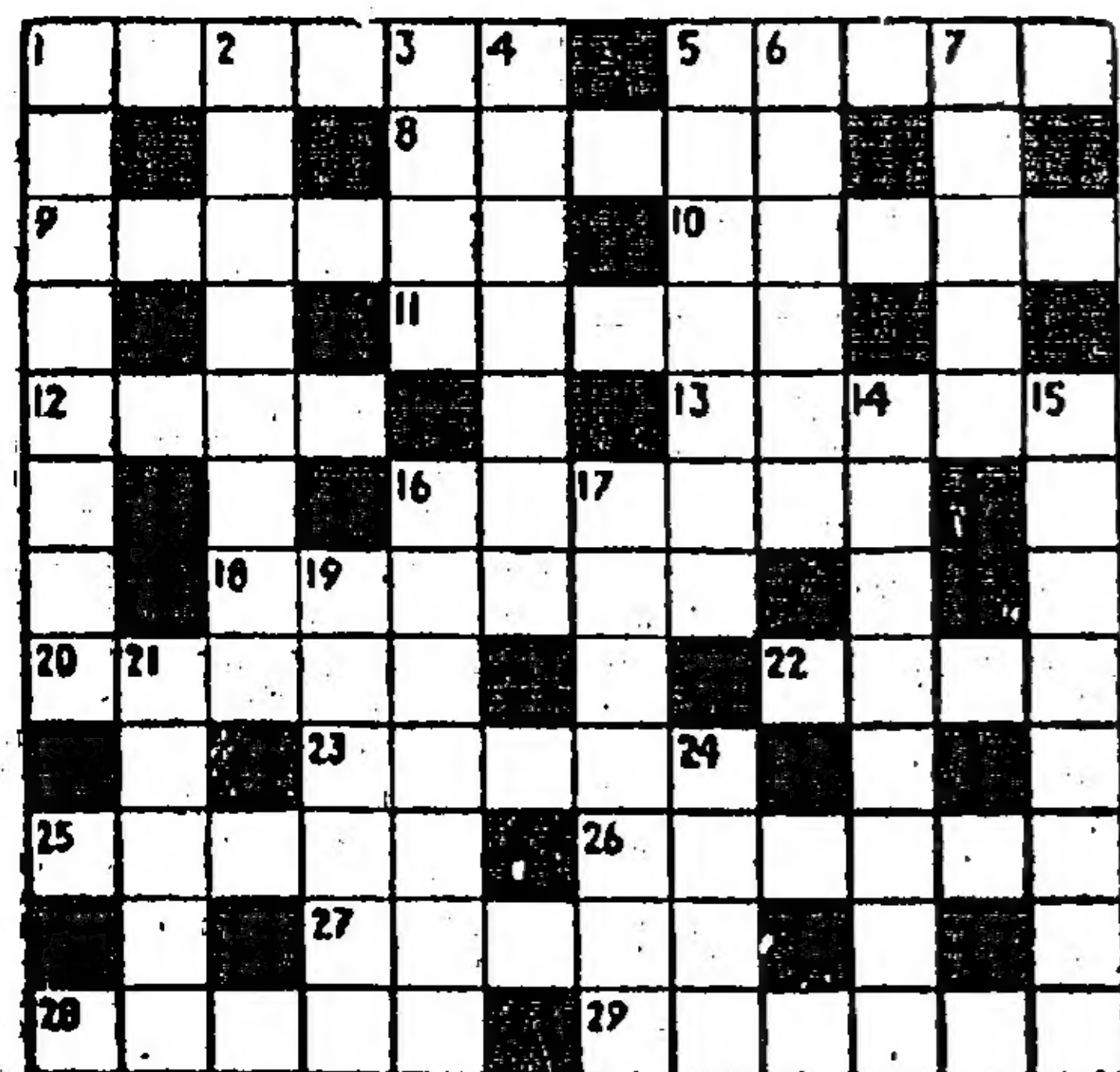
He 'Sold' Wife For £35

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So he sold his wife to an African in the city on the understanding that the marriage would take place after he had left.

The Bulawayo African paid £35 to the woman's husband and went off to work. When he returned, he found the woman had disappeared. Neighbours told him the husband had returned, collected his wife, and left by train for Nyasaland.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 The piper's son's drum? (6).
- 2 Cut of meat (5).
- 3 No adult (5).
- 4 Eden? Could be (6).
- 5 Kind of beer (5).
- 6 Born in South Africa? (5).
- 7 Stumble (4).
- 8 Stop (5).
- 9 Deceptive exterior (6).
- 10 Did some revision (6).
- 11 Proportional relationship (5).
- 12 Airline initials (4).
- 13 Opening (5).
- 14 Hiding place for loot (5).
- 15 Eastern Mediterranean area (6).
- 16 Pierce (5).
- 17 Coffer (or cough?) (5).
- 18 Red dog (6).

DOWN

- 1 Accompanied (8).
- 2 He's all for discipline (8).
- 3 Significant indication (4).
- 4 Mosque turret (7).
- 5 Comforted (7).
- 6 Irish seaport (6).
- 7 Makes a declaration (5).
- 8 The meek are certainly not (6).
- 9 Does he carry out instruction willingly? (6).
- 10 Intensely forcible (7).
- 11 Cuddles up (7).
- 12 They're all washed-up—ironically! (6).
- 13 A heavy blow may put one out of countenance (5).
- 14 Withered and yellow (4).

MONDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Answer; 5 Pitch; 8 Real; 9 Piling; 11 Apron; 12 Energy; 14 Sect; 16 Rotor; 18 Opera; 19 Asap; 20 Iboria; 21 Omega; 22 Nickel; 23 Ruddy; 27 Inuse; 28 Adonia; Down: 1 Alps; 2 Solo; 3 Ernie; 4 Regret; 6 Playoffs; 7 Hungary; 9 Limer; 10 Connote; 14 Georgia; 15 Cavilare; 17 Optic; 18 Agenda; 21 Ridd; 22 Alder; 23 Alas.

Negroes To Boycott Washington Stores

Washington, Mar. 24.
Negro ministers in Washington have urged their congregations to stay away from five leading department stores in the city on Thursday in protest against a refusal to engage Negro shop assistants.

The Rev. E. Franklin Jackson, leader of the protest movement, predicted that the stay-away-for-a-day plan would be 90 per cent effective.

The district commissioners who are responsible for the local administration of the nation's Capital are still trying to mediate in the dispute, but so far have made no headway.

Mr Jackson said that the appeal to the congregations was not aimed at diverting business permanently from the five stores involved.

NOT PUNITIVE

"I've told my people to do all the shopping they want there on Wednesday or Friday," he said. "This is not a punitive measure. It is really an instructive one. We want to show them we have purchasing power and get them to see that the Negro wants a better break in employment."

Mr Jackson said that the only way for the five department stores to avert Thursday's no-shopping demonstration was for them to issue a public disclaimer of discrimination in engaging employees.

He added that when the stores gave a reason for not engaging Negro shop assistants it was usually stated to be "fear of poor customer relations."

Mr Jackson said that a dozen Negro churches would be open on Thursday as prayer centres for success of the protest.—China Mail Special.

Bulawayo, Mar. 24.

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Let Russians Do Most Of The Talking

DAG'S BID FOR DISARMAMENT

Probe Into Soviet Objections To The US Commission

Moscow, Mar. 24.

The U.N. Secretary-General, Dag Hammarskjöld, plunged into an intensive round of talks with Soviet leaders today in an effort to restore U.N. influence in the field of disarmament.

The quiet Secretary went methodically about what he termed "a regular working visit". As is his custom, he uttered no word about the progress of his negotiations but the impression was he let the Russians do most of the talking on the opening day.

Informed sources believed the main purpose of the U.N. Secretary-General's visit to the Soviet capital was to probe the depths of Russian objections to the US Disarmament Commission as the main field for negotiation on East-West disarmament.

It was believed Mr Hammarskjöld apparently was trying to find a way to ease the problems which caused the Soviet Union to walk out of the U.N. Disarmament Commission on the grounds that it was weighed in favour of the West.

Attempts

Only last week a Soviet Foreign Ministry statement declared alleged US attempts to reconvene the Disarmament Commission on the grounds that nothing could be attained towards disarmament that way.

The Russian statement charged that the US was trying to sidestep a summit conference by means of its manoeuvre.

After his week-long visit to Moscow, the UN Secretary-General was due to stop in London for a four-day official visit on his way back to New York. He planned to have further disarmament talks in London with the Prime Minister, Harold Macmillan.

On the sidelines of his mission to Moscow, the U.N. Secretary-General was enjoying all the trappings of Soviet hospitality. In the evening he attended a National Day reception at the Pakistani Embassy and later was a guest at a state performance in the famous Bolshoi Theatre.

The show Mr Hammarskjöld saw was the premiere of the ballet "Othello", written by the Georgian composer, Macavani.

Among those present were Mr Khrushchev, Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan, Premier Nikolai Bulganin, Mr Arislov, Mr Kirichenko and Mrs Furtsova.—United Press.

SIR WINSTON TO VISIT THE US

But The Original Date Postponed

Rochester, Mar. 25.
Sir Winston Churchill still hopes to make a trip to Washington at the invitation of President Eisenhower, a member of his household at the Villa la Pausa said here today.

But the date of the visit originally fixed for the last week of April will now have to be postponed owing to his present condition following a slight recurrence of his old trouble.

When Sir Winston goes to the United States he will be accompanied by his chief personal secretary, Mr Anthony Montague-Browne. If the trip should be of two or more weeks he might take one of his girl secretaries with him too.

Sir Winston, who is still in bed, continues to smoke cigars. "It is seldom that one sees him without a cigar, if only to take a few puffs," a member of his household said.—Reuter.

Take Care Of Mother, Todd's Pilot Told Son

Fair Haven, N.J., Mar. 24.

The 10-year-old son of Mike Todd's pilot, William Verner, said today, "I want to be a pilot anyway" even though his father was killed with the showman and two other men.

Verner's last word to his fledgling airman son, Rodney, and two younger children, was tucked to a clipboard in the family kitchen here. It read:

"Take care of your mother while I'm gone."

The message, which seemed to acquire a fateful new significance to the family, had been intended to cover the period from last Tuesday to Saturday when the plane was scheduled to land at Linden airport.

Both Verner and his co-pilot, Thomas Barclay, 34, of Meluchen, New Jersey, were

killed with Todd and screen writer Art Cohn, in the crash. Mrs Verner was immediately with grief and under a physician's care.

Verner was a dedicated flier, according to friends. He had flown Todd and his actress-wife, Elizabeth Taylor, for six months, most recently to Europe in Todd's 12-passenger twin-engine Lockheed.

Verner, a Major in the Air Force Reserve, had more than 15,000 hours of flight time and held the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal for World War II service.—United Press.

Strangled Landlady

'—TIRED OF HEARING SHE WANTED TO DIE'

Lowes, Mar. 24.

A 27-YEAR-OLD student nurse, Joseph Pantry, was alleged today to have strangled his landlady—"the old dear outside"—because he was "so tired of hearing her say she wanted to die."

The jury, without retiring, declared him not guilty of the murder but guilty of manslaughter of the landlady, Mrs Sarah Howlett, aged 55, found under her bed at Brighton strangled with a scarf and an electric wire.

Pantry confessed the following day. He

told the police that Mrs Howlett's husband died about a year before and she was always saying she wanted to die.

"I felt lonely for her and for myself," he was alleged to have added. He told he was doing her a kindness.

The defense claimed diminished responsibility.

'53310761, PFC Presley, Elvis S.'

Memphis, Tenn., Mar. 24.

AMERICA'S rock'n'-roll idol today held up his right hand, took the oath and became "53310761, Private Presley, Elvis S."

Later Elvis, with 14 other conscripts and seven volunteers, left by bus for Fort Chaffee in Northwest Arkansas to start eight weeks' infantry training.

Presley was appointed in charge of the party. Footnote: It will cost the United States quite a lot of money to make Presley a soldier.

The singer's net income last year was around a million dollars. Of this, 78 per cent of the first \$200,000 went in income taxes and 91 per cent of the rest.—Reuter.



Elvis Presley

The Powell Case: US Visas For Chinese Witnesses?

Testimony Of Germ Warfare Needed

San Francisco, Mar. 24.

A US lawyer said today that he was "satisfied" the government would permit the entry of Chinese witnesses to support the "germ warfare" defence of John and Sylvia Powell, who are accused of sedition.

The lawyer, Robert Schnacke, told the Court he believed visas would be granted to prospective witnesses recently interviewed by defence counsel A. L. Wirin on a precedent-shattering trip behind the Bamboo Curtain.

Sharp Rise In Japan's Suicides

Tokyo, Mar. 24.

Suicides of entire families and of young lovers showed a "marked increase" during the first two months of 1958, it was reported today.

Kyodo News Agency said a survey disclosed there were 164 cases of family suicides, an average of three a day, during the period.

Forty-six young couples, including 28 teen-agers, took their lives in January and February. The vacation centre of Nikko near Tokyo was the most popular, five couples committed suicide there in one day alone, breaking an 83-year-old record.—United Press.

US District Judge Louis Goodman had set July 14 for the trial of the Powells and Julian Schuman of New York, charged with sedition for publishing accounts of alleged US germ warfare and truck-stalling in Korea in a monthly review in Shanghai.

Wirin reported to the Court after a recent trip to China that more than 1,000 Chinese witnesses would be needed. So far he has named 38 witnesses, of whom 26 are willing to come to the United States.

It was in reference to the 36 that Schnacke said he had "every expectation" that visas would be granted. However, he emphasized that he was speaking for the Justice Department and not for the State Department, which would issue the visas.

AGREEMENT

Wirin has reported to Judge Goodman that he was told by high Chinese officials that the Peking government will not allow witnesses to come here for the trial until a judicial assistance agreement has been reached between the two countries.

The Chinese urged that such an agreement be discussed in Geneva in the current Sino-American talks, he said.

Wirin told Judge Goodman today he was attempting to see the Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, and other high US officials next month to urge them to take up the question with the Chinese.

However, the Judge disagreed with Wirin about the need for such an agreement.

"We can run this case without any agreement between the State Department and officials in China," he said.—United Press.

He Sent Lions To Kill Wife's Lover

Zomba, Mar. 24.

Chief Na Mtwine II received a report that a man of Mimbidi in Nyasaland and his witch-doctor had sent lions to a nearby village to eat the lover of the man's wife.

The report said that the two men had warned a relative to remove his daughter because the lions might not be able to discriminate between their intended victim and others.

The Chief sent messengers to arrest the man and the witch-doctor.

They were acquitted and the man who had reported them to the chief was fined £5 (or six months' imprisonment) and ordered to pay £7/10 to each of the accused.—France-Press.

Packing Case For Furniture

Girl Who Met Queen Mother Returns Home—To A Hovel!

Melbourne, Mar. 24.

A 15-year-old aboriginal girl, Ruth Daylight, who recently delighted the Queen Mother when she was presented to her in Canberra, has returned to her home—a filthy hovel at Hall's Creek, in outback northwest Australia, the Melbourne Herald reported today.

Its Darwin correspondent, Douglas Lockwood, wrote: "At Hall's Creek, I saw Ruth Daylight, the girl who made that delightful curtsy to the Queen Mother, curtsy for her own mother to show how it was done."

"But instead of the imposing walls of Karramilla, the Governor-General's residence in Canberra, the backdrop today was a filthy hovel, only three feet high, where Ruth

lives with her mother and four other Daylight children.

"In the many years that I have been in the outback I have seen some grim native camps."

"But I have seen few things worse than the humpy on the creek where this beautiful aboriginal girl is living—within 200 yards of Hall's Creek township."

"The only furniture I saw inside the hovel was one upturned packing case."

"A big cattle dog also lives in the humpy."

LONG WAY

"It is a long way down from Lennons Hotel in Brisbane where Ruth and the other Hall's Creek children stayed—the plush suite, the bedside telephones, the inner spring beds, the private bath, the room service, the midnight supper."

In Sydney today the Superintendent of the Australian Indian Mission, the Rev. J. S. Mackay, expressed surprise at the report.

"I haven't heard anything about it," he said.

"When Ruth was in Sydney she had no indication she wanted to get away from the place."

Mr Mackay said he would send a telegram to Hall's Creek immediately.

When Ruth was presented to her in Canberra the Queen Mother showed great interest in the child and questioned officials about her future.

They said she would return to her home in Hall's Creek.—China Mail Special.

Largest Single Road Plan In Britain's History

London, Mar. 24.

Work began today on the largest single road scheme in British history—the completion of a double-track highway between London and Birmingham.

The motorway—the first new national highway to be built in Britain this century—is due to be completed within 19 months.

Part of the highway, at the London and Birmingham approaches, has already been completed.

The work which began today will carry the motorway from St Albans, Hertfordshire, to Birmingham.

CONTRACTS

Contracts for the construction of this 70-mile stretch of road amount to about £20 million.

On completion, it will be possible to travel the 100 miles between the two cities on twin carriageway roads.

When work on the highway is at its peak, 3,700 men and 1,000 major pieces of road-making machinery will be employed.

Two aircraft will be used for supervision and for bringing spares to keep the machinery running.

There will be 150 bridges, 200 "fly-overs" and "fly-unders" and three viaducts over rivers.

To complete the work within the schedule, the construction teams must build, on an average, one mile of double-carriageway road every nine days.—Reuter.

Widow Gets Assistance

Oakville, Mar. 24.

Residents of this area have now raised more than \$14,000 for an Italian woman whose husband was killed while she and her two children were en route to Canada.

Mrs. Carmela Esant told a variety show audience last night that she would start a new life in Canada.

Her husband, Luigi, was killed when he fell from a bridge on his way to work.—United Press.

Negro GI And White Bride Can't Live In Mississippi

Laurel, Miss., Mar. 24.

A Negro soldier who brought his German wife here for a visit to his parents was warned by law officers that they could not settle in Mississippi.

The County Attorney, Leonard Melvin, identified the Negro as Johnny Wheeler, a sergeant in the Army. Mr Melvin said he "understood that both the Negro and his wife have left Jones County."

Mississippi law provides a maximum penalty of 10 years' imprisonment for Negroes and whites living together as man and wife. Mr Melvin said several persons called it to his attention that Wheeler and his wife "were riding around together all over the county and were being seen in various places together."

Mr Melvin said officers "told them it was against the law for them to live together here."

The Attorney said Sergeant Wheeler was being transferred to California and had stopped here to visit his parents.—United Press.

New Soviet Airliner's Test Run

London, Mar. 24.

The new Soviet 75-seat IL-18 turbo-prop airliner has completed its first long flight, a 17,400 kilometre (about 10,750-mile) round trip from Moscow.

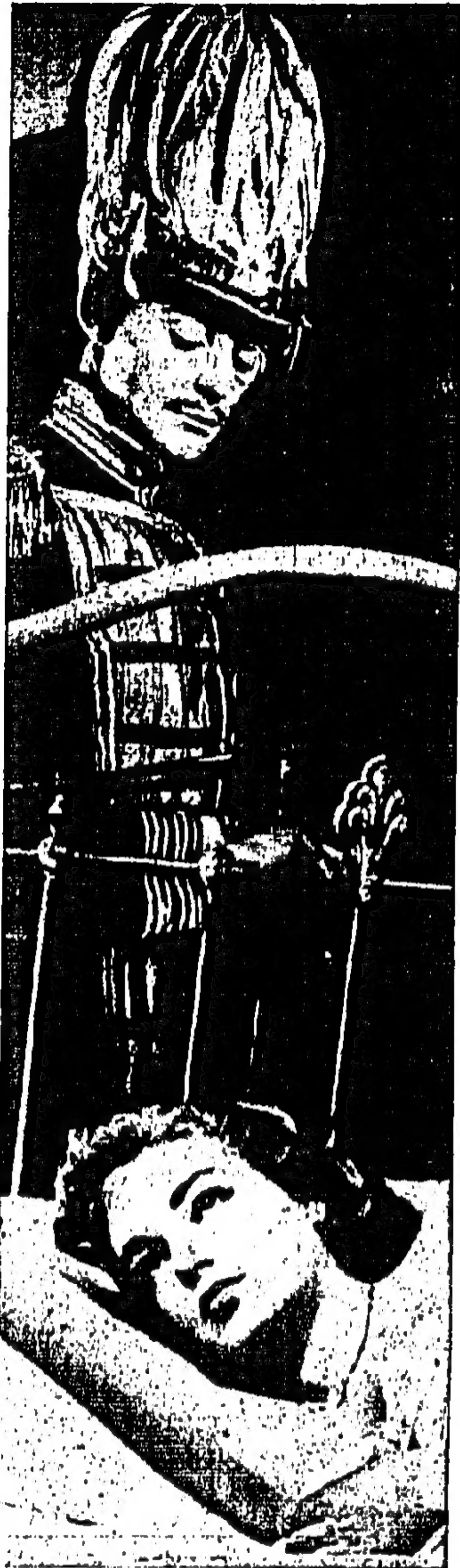
It was reported today by Moscow Radio.

The Radio said the flight took the plane over a Soviet floating scientific station in the Arctic. It was completed with three intermediate stops in 38 hours.

During more than 70 test flights the plane climbed to an altitude of ten kilometres (about six miles). The Radio added.—China Mail Special.

Maybe you won't agree . . . but for my money the world's most exciting woman

by LEONARD MOSLEY



THE SIGNORET LOOK as seen in *La Ronde*. Cavalier Gerard Philippe is fascinated.

MOST men spend their lives trying to be sensible, decent, rational, and accommodating about sex—and it doesn't get us anywhere, does it? We tell ourselves that the qualities we desire in women are sympathy, kindness, and goodness of heart. And what happens?

A female walks in who demonstrates from the jut of her chin, the glint in her eye, and the haughty sway of her body that she doesn't care a damn for anyone in the room but herself, and every male in sight mentally lifts up a club and roars off on the chase.

So let us face the fact that it is the challenge in a woman that sets a man on fire.

And for me a woman named Simone Signoret is the challenge. I know plenty of girls who are prettier than Simone. I certainly know hundreds who are younger.

She has the body and looks of someone who has been around for quite a long time, and never found it desirable to stilt herself of what life has to offer. Thirty-six. That's how old she is.

Yet if you were to lock me in a room with Monroe, Mansfield, Vivien Leigh, Audrey Hepburn, and this full-blown, middle-aged blonde, do I need to tell you which four I would usher on to the fire-escape?

And for whose sake I would thereupon throw away the key and close the window against the world?

Into battle

Simone Signoret—let me not be meagre or measly in my language—makes the others look, feel, and sound insipid. She is the epitome of everything in woman for which any man will happily go to battle.

Most filmgoers in England know this healthy female animal only if they have seen some of the better French films over the past few years. She

was the woman who drove Serge Reggiani to distraction (and also to the gallows) in a brilliant gangster epic called *"Golden Marie"*.

She was the ruthless murderer in a study in fear and panic called *"The Frenchie"*.

But now she has come to England to make a British film. She will play the part of the other, older woman in the film version of a Yorkshire novel called *"Room At The Top"*.

And to everyone who says: "But why cast a French woman in the part of a female who comes from Bradford?" I have an answer.

For she alone, I think, can give this role of a woman who is not afraid of anything and anyone, particularly men, all the muscle and sinew of sex which it demands.

Simone Signoret is the most invigorating, stimulating, and challenging woman on the screen at the moment.

I only wish, when I have lunch with her later, she will aim her challenge in my direction.

Why did she get the job?

NOT many women and very few actresses, would sit surrounded by men in a fashionable restaurant without a scrap of make-up on their faces.

Yet that is how Simone Signoret, the French actress, presented herself in London the other day. Her attitude seemed more startling when film producer James Woolf said: "We chose Signoret for this role because none of the available British actresses had enough sex appeal to play it."

She is not beautiful by ordinary standards. She does not even want to be. She said: "I know I have not got a cat in hell's chance of looking pretty. But, fortunately, I realised that 10 years ago. Up till then I was all make-up and feathers, like many young girls." She always dresses, in sack-like suits which are chic but only suggest her figure. She has ravish-

ing legs—which are rarely photographed.

She explained: "I remember the advice given to me by the director of the first film I made. He said: 'Sex appeal should never be vulgar.'"

'Oh, unfair'

Sex appeal? She shrugged her shoulders and said: "It is there with most women when they let it show through. It cannot be put on, with make-up or anything. It is better just to be a woman."

Do British actresses lack sex appeal? Elizabeth Sellers said:

"Oh, how unfair. Could Sir Gordon Richards win the Derby without the right horse? Well, I would challenge any Continental actress to breathe the sex appeal into some of the cart-horse women I have to play."

Yvonne Mitchell said: "Oh, how typical. British film producers always think a sexy girl can be only either foreign or a dumb blonde. Either way she must be screamingly obvious. But, come to think of it, I think the only actors with sex appeal are foreign. Not the English pretty boys."

Margaret Johnston said: "Oh, it doesn't surprise me. A top-flight actress should be able to assume sex appeal like any other emotion. But producers just don't believe that of British actresses. Think of the trouble Deborah Kerr had to prove it."

John Lambert

ALGIERS NEWSLETTER

from SAM WHITE

A MINISTER, A MAYOR AND A GENERAL

The top three

in a land of terror

ALGIERS.

THREE remarkable men dominate the Algerian scene. They are the Resident Minister for Algeria, M. Robert Lacoste, the Jesuit-educated 47-year-old Mayor of Algiers, M. Jacques Chevallier, and the paratroop general who commands the Algerian Region, 49-year-old General Jacques Massu.

Take Lacoste first. A former trade union leader, he greatly resembles in his stubbornness and earthy patriotism the late Ernest Bevin.

And like Bevin he enjoys the confidence of his Socialist Party leader, M. Mollet.

This is important because in the state of the present French Parliament no government can be formed without the Socialists.

Furthermore, to the 1,200,000 Europeans here, Lacoste has become such a symbol of resistance to the rebels that any move to depose him would very likely reproduce the very riots which led to his appointment two years ago.

Resolute foe

What happened to this veteran member of a traditionally anti-Colonialist party which makes him such a resolute foe of the Nationalists?

Lacoste told me: "Algeria is not a colonial problem like the others. The bulk of the Europeans here are humble folk who have been here for generations and have a right to remain."

"I tell you we could not abandon them to a Cairo-inspired rebellion. Take it from me, that a Right-Wing government in Paris

would long ago have rattled on these people."

He is convinced that the overwhelming majority of Muslims do not want independence but only complete equality as French citizens.

Intellectual

Chevallier, a Catholic intellectual, is by temperament and background the complete opposite of Lacoste.

A one-time Minister in the Mendes-France Government, he has been the brilliantly successful Mayor of Algiers since 1953.

His great achievement has been a series of superb building projects which have provided cheap flats for nearly 8,000 families numbering some 37,000 people.

These flats are divided on a 50-50 basis between European and Muslim families.

He enjoys tremendous prestige among the Muslims. Relations between him and Lacoste are often difficult.

Chevallier was an outspoken critic of the repressive measures used in Algiers to purge the city of terrorists.

And the Army

General Massu is a tall, hawk-nosed man who served under Leclerc during the war. He and his paratroopers smashed the terrorists in Algiers.

He was given this job when the police were overwhelmed by it, and he did it with ruthlessness and efficiency.

Surprisingly enough, he is politically well on the Left. He believes that reforms should have followed swiftly on the heels of repression and he bitterly regrets that the French Parliament wasted precious months before finally passing the laws.

The basic tragedy of Algeria is that the rebellion is taking

place at a time of a great French Renaissance, and nowhere is this Renaissance more evident than in Algeria itself.

In the past two years there has been unleashed here a burst of reforming zeal of such energy and imagination that it is transforming the country.

The main engine for what is virtually a social revolution is the army, and what a magnificent army it is.

It is an army which does more than fight.

Clears slums

It clears slums, builds houses, re-settles entire villages, teaches in schools, administers health services, short-circuits bureaucracy on behalf of nomadic Muslims and generally does everything but baby-sit.

Take the hideous "Bldonville" (so-called because the shacks are made from tins) on the outskirts of Algiers.

There until recently 15,000 Arabs who flocked into Algiers for seasonal work as dockers lived in appalling squalor on a 24-acre allotment.

On an absurdly small budget, 15 paratroop officers detached from normal army service have worked a miracle here.

They are in the process of demolishing the shacks and putting in their place wooden homes.

Even these are temporary, for already plans are being made to replace these with 14-storey apartment houses.

Even as the demolition work goes forward, schools and medical centres function in the area, and a local council made up from the Muslims helps in the administration.

Is it too late to win back the Muslims on the basis of the promise of full equality?

There are ominous signs that it may be so.

Incidental intelligence: Half the Muslim population of 9,000,000 is under 20. At the rate the Muslim birth-rate is increasing there will be 20 million Muslims here, in 25 years' time.

Quotes of the week—M. Lacoste: "I feel I am defending France here."

General Massu, on being asked his reply to critics of his policy: "I shall continue."

A senior French officer: "What would happen if we moved out? Either the Americans or the Russians would move in. We know the job here. Why should we leave the task of modernising this country to someone else?"

(London Express Service).



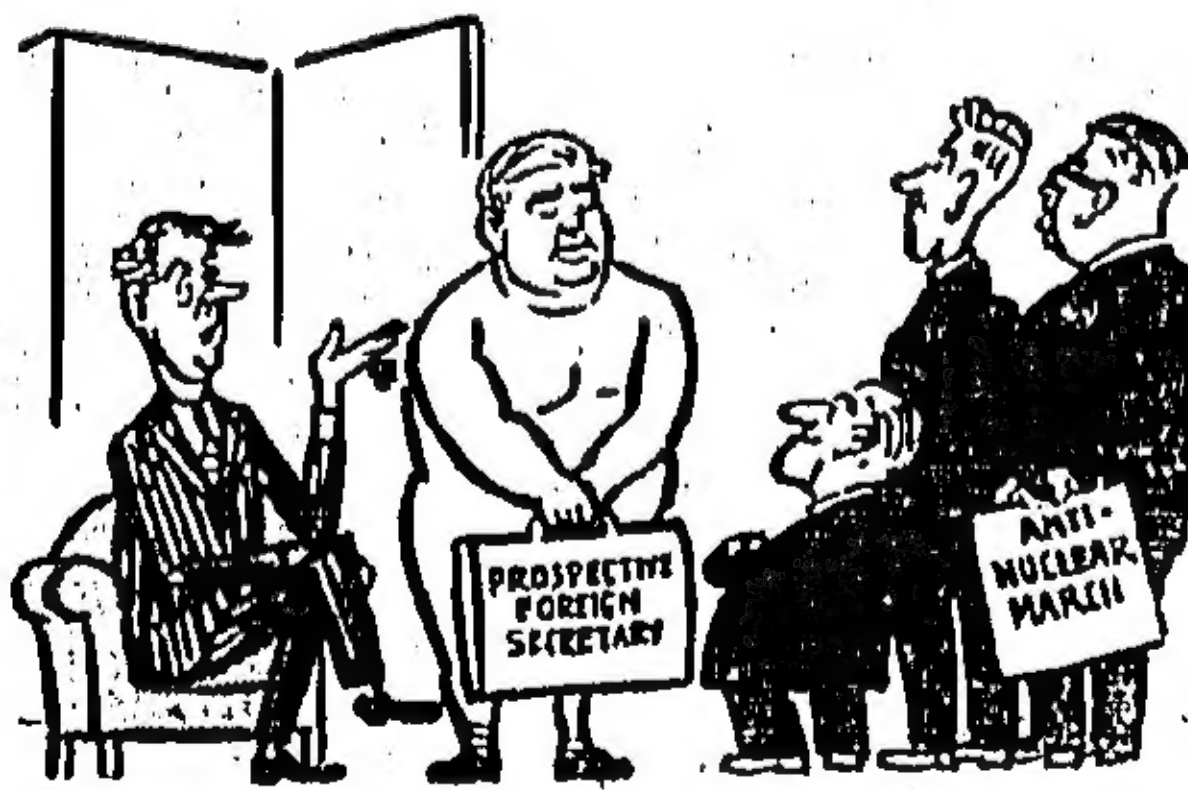
PICTURE BY EXPRESS PHOTOGRAPHER ALAN MEER.

THE SIGNORET LOOK, demonstrated as she kept an appointment with Photofest. "I know," she says. "I haven't a cat in hell's chance of looking pretty."

Friell



"And if anything happens to me it is your job to take over the appalling burden of office."



"I want you to see just what it will look like if you send him naked into the council chamber."



"Funny thing I. A number of our members aren't so keen on a Foreign Ministers' Conference since you said Selwyn Lloyd had no intention of resigning."

ROUND UP

Rome

EX-KING Farouk of Egypt is being sued by Rome's leading jeweller for payment for two snuff boxes which once belonged to Frederick the Great of Prussia.

Jeweller Giorgio Bulgari claims in his action that Farouk ordered the snuff boxes while he was still King of Egypt. He made an advance payment, says Bulgari, but the balance, amounting to "tens of millions of lire" has not been paid.

In his reply to the claim, Farouk says that he ordered the snuff boxes in his position as king. When he abdicated in 1952, they were seized together with all the other jewels belonging to the crown by Nasser and his revolutionary officers. "Therefore," says Farouk, "I am not liable."

No definite date has been fixed for the hearing, but it is expected to be soon.

Meanwhile, Farouk has been told that while Italy is pleased to have him living here, it would be better for the ex-king to take a holiday abroad during the visit of Nasser to Rome at the end of May.

Nicosia

CYPRIOIS who intend going to Britain for medical treatment have been warned by the Director of Government Medical Services that it will cost them at least £45 a week—excluding specialists' fees.

Hundreds of Cypriots have flocked to Britain in the past with no intention of working or settling there. They return with brand-new hearing aids or false teeth supplied free by Britain's National Health Service.

Now it is to stop. Would-be patients are instructed to make their own arrangements for admission into private hospitals—unless sponsored by the Government—otherwise applications for passports will be refused.

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NEW ZEALANDERS CHALK UP A BIG WIN

A First Class Lesson In Forward Play By The Touring Team

By "PAK LO"

Before one of the largest crowds, which included His Excellency the Governor, Sir Robert Black and Lady Black, ever to grace a rugby football match in this Colony, the New Zealand Touring Team gave the Colony a first class lesson in forward play when they beat them by the large score of 47 points (4 goals, 7 tries, 2 penalty goals) to nil.

Before the game started and during the interval the Band of the 1st Battalion The Green Howards played selections. On his arrival, Sir Robert Black was presented to both fifteens, and at five minutes before the scheduled time the game began.

Right from the start the New Zealand forwards took command of the lineouts, for they jumped better than the Colony, and by using one of the basic rules of rugby they broke through the Colony forward line.

Instead of, as has become the rule here, getting the ball back to the New Zealanders, the Colony forwards passed the ball to one of their forwards who was running round to back up the player who had caught the ball, and with the force of his run carrying him through, the Colony forwards were beaten before they started.

With the Colony losing most of the lineouts, the Colony forwards had to cover not only their opposing forwards but the forwards as well, which left a gap in the centre of the three which no amount of hard tackling by Leppard and Watson could cover.

The Colony forwards throughout tackled extremely well, and Leppard had not been the digger in the score would have been reversed. What neither Leppard or his three got was cover from their own forwards.

Better Position

Although they were out-hooted the Colony were in a better position in the scrums, for they lost only 60 per cent of them, but the ball came back too slowly, and the Colony forwards, although their passing was good, were too slow off the mark in comparison with the New Zealanders and ran across field.

Both O'Kelly and Robertson played well, but when losing heavily they should have opened the game up, for an open game was the only way to stop the All-Blacks' attack.

In the Colony forwards Penman played well, and his best games this season and was well backed up by Williams, but Green was a definite disappointment, for he was far too slow to do any damage.

The New Zealand pack with Whinersey and Pickering to show the way were always well up in the forefront of the game, and when the New Zealand three crossed kicked, as they often did, the whole New Zealand pack was there in a flash.

Only when the Colony crossed-kicked did the New Zealanders look unsettled, but with their terrific speed they were able to cover their mistakes before the Colony could score. Whitta and Frain played beautifully with Frain making the try of the match when he got the ball just outside his own 25, cut through the defence, dummied his way past two more players, tackled off the full back and swerved perfectly to leave the last two defenders running the wrong way while he touched down under the posts.

Dineen, the New Zealand full back, also deserves mention for the next way in which he joined in with his three times and again to make the extra man, without crowding his wings.

Big Advantage

But though the New Zealand three passed well it was their crosskicking which gave them such a big advantage for their forwards were always there to on. When they did go for the line it was Davidson who time and again took the eye, for he was able to spurt away from anyone near him, and only someone in his path was able to stop him.

The New Zealanders also passed quickly and only once when Frain tried to repeat his solo attempt did they fail to feed their wings. Frain with only Leppard to beat and with four men beautifully positioned outside him kept the ball to himself and was well and truly grounded for his effort.

Without doubt, as any one of the large crowd will testify, this was one of the most exciting matches ever seen, and the fact that it drew such a large and loyal crowd proves that there can be a great future for

rugby in this Colony, especially if we can get tourists of the calibre of these mighty All-Blacks.

It was quite some time, although the All-Blacks pressed steadily before the first score came, when Dineen converted a penalty awarded against Robertson within 20 yards of his own line for picking out of the scrum, 3-0.

A few minutes later Dineen tried a penalty drop from the halfway line but missed and the ball went to Valentine who when caught in possession died with the ball, thus ensuring another easy penalty conversion by Dineen, 6-0.

The Colony forwards, who were lacking too high throughout the game, let the New Zealanders score again when it took three of them to hold Frain and the ball went inside to Whinersey who sent Davidson over in the corner. No conversion, 9-0.

The Colony suddenly at this stage began to fumble badly and the next score came as no surprise. The All-Blacks' pack heeded, held the ball perfectly, wheeled and Pickering touched down the loose ball half way out. Dineen converted, 14-0.

The Colony had a faint chance to reply when they were awarded a penalty ten yards in from touch and ten yards from the half way line, but O'Kelly was just short. A good three move by New Zealand with some very bad obstruction which the referee did not see, wheeled and Pickering touched down the loose ball half way out. Dineen converted, 17-0.

The Next Try

Again and again the New Zealanders attacked and again again Leppard and Watson cleared, but then Whinersey got the ball from the loose and tore through to score under the posts. Dineen converted, 22-0.

Finally, just before half time Meads broke through to send Pickering over from a lineout on the Colony 25. No conversion, 25-0.

Within seconds of the second half starting, the New Zealanders went further ahead when the ball moved across the three line, was kicked ahead by Brown, and Lincee beat the defence to the rolling ball and touched down. Johnson converted, 30-0.

Next at last the Colony began to attack, and for seemed they must score, but Valentine passed off too late and play swept uphill again and Davidson crosskicked for Brown to gather and score well out. No conversion, 33-0.

The ball was kicked off, passed to Frain by one of the New Zealand forwards and it was then that he made his wonderful solo run to score under the posts. Brown converted, 39-0.

Pickering added the next try when he took the ball from a wheel within ten yards of the Club line. No conversion, 41-0.

Still the pressure was kept up and from a lineout Lincee went through to score well out. No conversion, 44-0.

Finally after another three move, which was becoming more and more the order of the day as the

Colony defence weakened, saw Davidson score. No conversion, 47-0.

Although the Colony were well and truly beaten they were not disgraced, for they played as hard as they were able, but the superior tactics and the greater fitness of the All-Blacks proved their downfall. It is only a pity that we shall not see these All-Blacks for some time, for they gave the game here a great boost, and deserve our thanks and congratulations for their wonderful display.

Quit Now, Stan, Before The Old Black Magic Misses Its Spell

Says W. CAPEL KIRBY

Last month, on February 10, Stanley Matthews reached the ripe old soccer age of 43. Should he pack up, or carry on?

It is a depressing thought, but, much as it hurts, I am certain that millions will join me in hoping this will be the last season we shall see him demonstrating those inimitable tricks of escapology that have left defenders as bewitched and bewildered as a small boy wondering how the ship got into the bottle.

Stan has publicly stated that he feels fit, speedy and agile enough to carry on another two, three, or more seasons.

As an admirer of Matthews, both on and off the field throughout his illustrious career, I offer this advice—DON'T! Quit now, Stan, before the old black magic loses its spell...

While the sleight of foot still has 'em going wrong-a-way, and the thistle answers to the summons for that electrifying burst of speed which leaves peep-eyed onlookers gasping, and the old National Sporting Club days, Stan must know well enough that in boxing they never come back.

Avoid This!

There have been signs of sluggish reactions—and I say that despite his recent display against Wolves.

At all costs avoid the tragedy of a career turning into a farce. There's nothing the public likes more than to see a champion toppled from his throne.

Don't risk another season after this. Pack up when Blackpool finish their tour of Australia next summer, and so spare us the memory of greatness fades. Resist the temptation of challenging the record held by your No. 1 fan, Billy Meredith, who only a year previous to retiring at the age of 31 was actually playing in Cup football for Manchester City—too much!

Without detracting from the skill which won Billy 51 caps for Wales, the fact is that the style of play in his day produced less wear and tear on speed, stamina and the nervous system than it does in present-day competition.

That's my advice to Matthews, who, I am sure, will take it in the spirit it is given. Should he feel the wrench too much he could come to the same wise decision as his old friend, Jimmy Hogan, who now limits his football to occasional appearances when conditions beat his style, or when Sheffield United consider his experience of value for any particular match.

Mould Gone

Jimmy has just had birthday and at 41—with the exception of Matthews—is the oldest League club player in the country.

It has been said that after the pattern fashioned Matthews they threw away the mould—which makes it sad, but nevertheless inevitable that we are unlikely ever to see his kind again.

Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:
(1) Footballing prowess.
(2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail,
My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into account his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is:

of the Club.

(Signed)

SIXPENCE A ROUND?

By HENRY LONGHURST

A cry of distress reaches me from an old friend. He is S. Morton, who years ago was greenkeeper at the Bedfordshire Club and has now, after a period of absence from England, moved back to Old Fold Manor, Herts. To hear from him brings back happy memories, for we were playing at Letchworth when I did my first and, until recently, only hole in one—a feat which we then possessed the stamina to celebrate in five different towns in the same evening.

It is not, however, to recall the career past that Morton writes but to deplore, so far as his own calling is concerned, the present and the probable future. On joining the committee of the Southern Section of the Greenkeepers' Association, he says, he has been alarmed to see so few young men coming into the profession.

The Past Year

This reflects a point which I myself have often heard in the past year and which concerns everyone who plays golf—and I dare say bowls, cricket and any other game which depends for its enjoyment largely on the "state of the pitch."

The answer, of course, is as simple as it is inescapable. Pay them more! The joy of life in the open air, help-ho, and the assurance of a lady statistician in Oxford that he can feed five on £3 10s. 5d. a week do not, alas, weigh so strongly with a young fellow who wants to buy a house and raise a family as does the extra money he can earn by minding a machine in a neighbouring factory.

All very well, you may say, but how do we raise the money? Rising costs, I am told almost every day, are crippling many clubs already—though they never seem quite to do so. Hay-lake, says Mr. Guy Farrar in a broadcast, cost less than £100 a year to run in the earliest days and now it costs £15,000.

That is a staggering figure. Nevertheless, the fact remains that club subscriptions have not risen since before the war in proportion to other amenities of life and another guinea, added possibly as a separate item under "greenkeeping subscription," will not break many canteen backs—though in glibly saying so I reflect with relief that I am not captain of a golf club and will not have to endure the comments of the members.

Great Believer

Like the dentist, however, I am a great believer in painless extraction and there may be other ways of relieving golfers of the financial difference between an enthusiastic young greenkeeper and a jobbing gardener. It might well be, for instance, that clubs could create a tradition that members at the end of every round put sixpence in a box on the bar, to be earmarked for the outdoor staff—hoping, of course, that the local tax inspector would be too busy hunting hunsimen's Christmas boxes to become aware of these voluntary contributions. A proportion of visitors' green fees might also be assigned to the men on whose labours their enjoyment so directly depended.

However, as we seek means of ringing in the new, let us, at any rate with a joyous peal of congratulation, ring out the old—in the person of Tom Bridges, whose greenkeeping life has covered almost the whole of what may be termed modern golf. Bridges, who has set down his tools for the last time at the age of 78, certainly had his life out in pleasant places. After spending his boyhood at North Berwick, he took the high road to England long before the first world war and fetched up at Humbercombe in the age of girl caddies and members driving up from Henley station in a pony and trap.

There the eye of the late and great J. F. Abernethy fell upon him and, together the two of them plunged into a tangle of rhododendrons, gorse, heather and silver birch and emerged with the Old course at Addington. They kept in touch, I believe, with whistles and I always remember how impressed I was to learn that "Aber" laid out this wonderful course "straight off the cuff," as it were, without having to reconsider a single green or tee.

From Addington, after a brief spell at Croyham Hurst, Bridges went to Haylake and there he

has been for 35 years. He was there when we played the 1929 University match with honours rules and the bunkers full of water—and even then the greens were perfect. Indeed, through all the time that I have played golf it seems to have been tacitly accepted that Haylake has the "18 greens in the world," and certainly after playing on some 400-odd courses I could not pick upon 18 to beat them. And in all that time old Tom Bridges has been responsible for the way they will remain both a tribute to his memory and a challenge to his successor.

Lincolnshire Handicap

Thirty-seven probable runners with jockeys for the Lincolnshire Handicap, to be run on Wednesday, March 26, over one mile at Lincoln are:

Babur (E. Brit), Colours (Piggott), Whinnet (W. H. Carr), Venus Slipper (J. E. Derry), Penenden (S. Clayton), Just Verdict (C. Hild), Nicholas Nickleby (A. Bressley), Diplomatic Bag (S. Starkey), Magic Moment (S. Mercer), Copenhaven (E. Mercer), Suezbrush (E. Smith), Jackies Kads (J. Egan), Statfold (E. Larkin), Melody Fair (P. Robinson), Chief Barker (D. Smith), Opera Score (H. J. Greenway), Master Nicker (S. Gifford), Lord Barker (S. Gifford), River Line (J. Lynch), Abolish Beach (D. Greening), Langton Heath (B. Jago), Grand Rejection (B. Keith), Who You (C. Holman), Jomart (K. Temple), Cleveford (L. Lapping), Dutton (D. W. Waller), Retain (D. W. Morris).

Cordellian (N. McIntosh), Naval Fight (N. Hayes), High Tide (R. Reader), Curious Peter (R. B. Swindhurst), Red King (A. Carson), Gay Trio (S. Milbanks), Norway (D. Ward), Regal Rock (K. Glover), North Light (D. East) and Lala Gobbin (D. Johnston).—Reuter.

Probable Starters And Jockeys

London, Mar. 24.

It seems likely that Manchester United will be unchanged. There is a slight doubt about Ernie Taylor, the little inside-right, who suffered a bad knock the back of the thigh last Saturday, but he is expected to be fit by Wednesday.

The chances of Ken Morgan, the outside right who recently returned from Munich, are not bright because he is not completely match fit.—France-Press.

Ernie Taylor Fit

London, Mar. 24.

Ernie Taylor, Manchester United's inside-forward who received a bruised thigh in the FA Cup Semi-Final with Fulham last Saturday, will definitely be fit for the replay at Highbury on Wednesday.

After treatment at Old Trafford today, he took part in team training and felt no ill effects. Neither did a centre-forward Alex Dawson, who suffered an ankle injury in Saturday's game.

The team, which will not be selected until just before the party leave for London tomorrow, is expected to be unchanged.—France-Press.

MARCIANO-LIKE BASILIO AN 8-5 FAVOURITE TO BEAT ROBINSON

Chicago, Mar. 24.

'Sugar Ray' Robinson, 37, at one time regarded as the best pound for pound fighter in the world, but now in the twilight of an illustrious career, faces the odds against World Middleweight Champion, Carmen Basilio, here tomorrow night.

The tough, Marciano-like Basilio, who gained the narrowest of decisions over Robinson last September, in probably one of the greatest middleweight fights of all time, is an 8 to 5 on favourite to win again. A poll of 34 leading British and American boxing writers showed that 21 favoured the champion's tireless slugging to overcome the ageing Robinson.

Those who favour Robinson, who will be attempting to win the title for the fifth time, point out that he has never been beaten by the same man twice and predict that he will win by a knockout.

Two opponents who took the title from Robinson were both stopped inside the distance in return bouts. Randolph Turpin, of Britain, was beaten in ten rounds and Gene Fullmer lasted five rounds. The cool, calculating Robinson will be giving away seven years in age, but will have the edge in weight.

Vacated Title

Basilio, who vacated the welterweight title when he beat Robinson, is expected to come in at just under 11 stone—about 5½ pounds lighter than Robinson.

A crowd of 20,000 is expected to attend the fight which is due to start at 10 p.m. (local time) (0400 G.M.T.).—China Mail Special.



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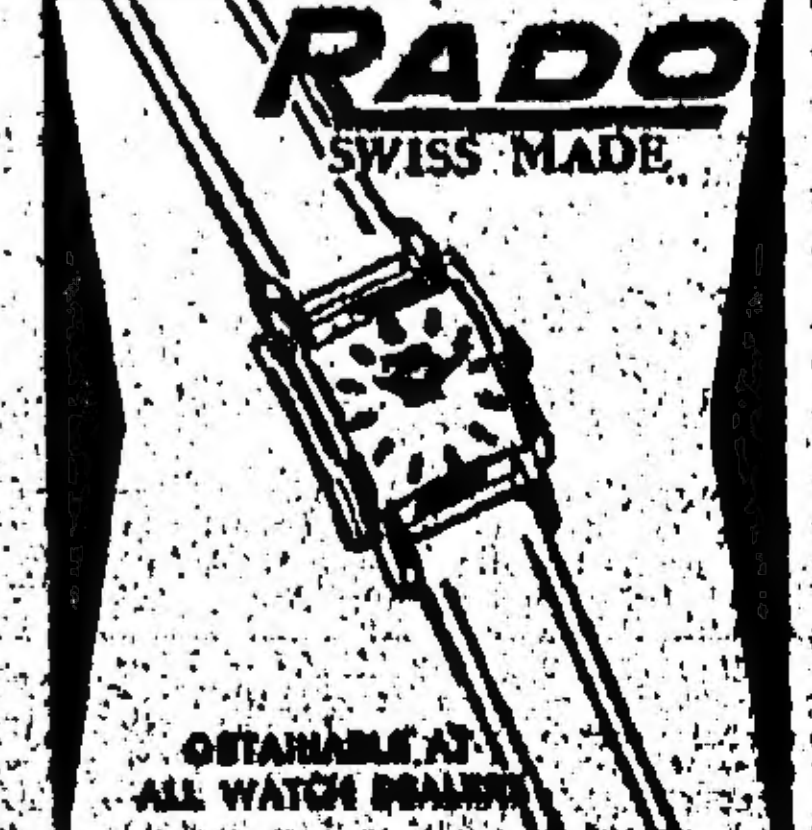
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ENGLAND'S VICTORIOUS TEAM



Members of the England women's table tennis team, and the captain, with the trophies which they had won in the team event at the European Championships held at Budapest recently. They are (left to right): Miss Jill Rook, Mrs. Collis, Victor Barna (Captain), and Miss Ann Hayden.—Central Press Photo.

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

London, Mar. 24.
Results of today's football matches were:

LEAGUE TWO
Blackburn Rovers 5 Bristol City 6 (Postponed from March 22).

LEAGUE THREE SOUTH
Port Vale 0 Brentford 1.
Coventry City 4 Walsall 1.

LEAGUE THREE NORTH
Gateshead 0 York City 0 (Postponed from March 23).
—Reuter.

ICE HOCKEY

Nottingham, Mar. 24.
Nottingham Panthers, the English League ice hockey team, beat the United States World Championship side 6-5 here tonight.

Period scores were 2-1, 2-2, 2-2.—Reuter.

Sports Diary

TODAY
Hadminton Inter-School Badminton SM "B" v "A"; CMS v GCS; GC v SSC at Grantham Training College, 6 p.m. Racing.

TOMORROW
Presentation of Prizes at Deep Water Bay Clubhouse. Athletics. Minden Road School Sports. Tennis Camp, Chatham Road, 2.15 p.m.

Campo-Scarponi Fight Off

Paris, Mar. 24.
The fight between Filipino Tony Campo and Italian Scarpone, top of the bill at a fight meeting at Ancone on April 4, has been postponed because of an injury to the Italian boxer. The new date of the fight was not known.—France-Press.

British Flyweight Champion Beaten On Points

Birmingham, Mar. 24.
Frankie Jones, British Flyweight Champion, was out-pointed by Terry Toole, Birmingham's sixth ranking bantamweight, over eight rounds here tonight.

It was Jones' first fight since he lost his Empire title to Dennis Adams (South Africa) last October.—Reuter.

SCRATCHINGS

London, Mar. 24.
Blue Peak was officially scratched at 0900 GMT today from the Lincolnshire Handicap, to be run on Wednesday.
Limer Hill was officially scratched from Saturday's Grand National Steeplechase at 0900 GMT today.—China Mail Special.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

Fred Archer Could Not Bear Defeat

By PERCY RUDD

At this Prestbury inn lived Fred Archer, the jockey, who trained upon toast, Cheltenham water and coffee. The shoe of his pony hands up in the bar, where they drink to his prowess from near and from far. But the man in the street passes by without knowledge that 'twas here Archer swallowed his earliest porridge.

A plaque with these lines on the wall of the King's Arms at Prestbury, a few miles from Cheltenham (Gloucestershire), marks the early residence of one of the Turf immortals—a man who for 13 years dominated the English racing scene, as no one else, until Gordon Richards came along in modern times to steal most of his records.

In seventeen seasons Fred Archer had 8,084 mounts and finished first on 2,748 of them—an average of 30.39 percent winners. Before he was 25 he had won all the classics twice, and finally had victories in six Leigers, five Derbys, four Oaks, four 2,000 Guineas and two 1,000 Guineas to his credit. He was champion jockey for thirteen successive years—and this record is still unsurpassed.

Moreover, he did all this with the scales heavily loaded against him. He was too tall for a jockey—5ft 10in—and waged an unceasing battle against his weight, which was nearer 11st than 10st in mid-winter. Yet he was always ready for the start of the "flat" at 8st 10lb.

He built a Turkish Bath in his Newmarket home and this and his purgative medicine, known as "Archer's mixture", were part of the daily routine. George Lambton tried the mixture during his race-riding days and thought it "made of dynamite".

Drastic Treatment
How Archer's constitution withstood the drastic treatment to which he subjected it for ten of his 13 years of supremacy is almost beyond belief. But in the end it killed him at the early age of 28.

His father, Charles Archer, afterwards landlord of the King's Arms, rode Little Charlie to victory in the Grand National on January 11, 1857.

The boy's birthday present when he was nine was a pony. Two years later he was apprenticed to the Newmarket trainer Matt Dawson, for whom he won his first race at the age of 13.

Winning Races

Certainly Fred Archer's brief life was wholly dedicated to the business of winning races. Nothing else mattered. He did not smoke (like Gordon Richards), was an abstemious drinker, and did not talk much.

Whether this was because of belief in himself, ambition or for money makes no matter. All he cared about was to win races—and more races and more races. He had a temper, but only showed it when some other jockey and horse beat him. That was something he could not bear.

The secret of his success was courage, determination and a surprising store of energy in his frail-looking body.

He studied and practised every move and trick on the riding chessboard. Invariably he was first out of the paddock so that he could get the rails at the start (there was to draw for places in those days). And he sat far forward in the saddle so

that he might catch the judge's eye in a close finish. Often he was severe on his mounts. If flagging a horse or jostling a rival jockey would help him to win, Archer made no bones about it.

There was, for instance, the three-horse race at Newmarket between Chippendale (Archer), Edgewood (Wood) and Hagioscope (Griffiths). Archer saw that Hagioscope was going too well, so he bumped him onto Edgewood.

Griffiths, a North-country rider, was equal to the occasion. He nearly knocked Wood over and then came back to squeeze Archer on the rails, keeping him there and beating him by a head.

Chippendale's trainer wanted Archer to object. "I can't," he said, "I started it." And this was the comment of Hagioscope's trainer when congratulated on the victory: "Griffiths may not be much of a jock, but when it comes to foul riding, I'll back him against anyone breathing!"

As to his flogging of horses, there is to Archer's credit the story of a race at Ascot. His mount, an unpredictable temperamental customer, suddenly came to a halt and started to balk. Fred just patted his neck, got him going again—and went on to win.

Derby Victory

His Derby victory on Bend Or in 1880 displayed his great courage. He had been saved by a horse named Mulvey Edris, and the muscles of one of his arms were badly lacerated. He rode Bend Or that day with a pad in the palm of the hand and a piece of iron up the sleeve. Even so, the arm was helpless. Yet he drove his horse up in the last stride to win by a head.

Jockeys could bet in those days and Archer admitted he did not always ride at his best when his money was on his mount—and was in too great a hurry to get past the post. On the other hand he rode some wonderful races against his own money. This happened once at Windsor, when trainer Golding asked him to mount a brute named Westwood.

Fred said: "I will, if you like, but I'm going to have £500 on Domino." That didn't worry Golding, who thought Westwood had no chance.

Archer went out and after being nearly in the river twice from false starts rode Westwood like a demon to beat Domino by a neck.

Though flattered and courted by everyone—men and women—Fred never developed a swollen head. He was too wrapped up in his career and his home.

Fatal Blow

The death of his young wife in childbirth in 1885 was a blow from which he never recovered. Just over a year later he himself was dead.

A little more than a week before the 1886 Cambridge Handicap he weighed 8st 6lb, and got off his horse to ride and win on his only appearance in that country. He laughed at the idea that he would not get down to 8st 6lb to ride St Mirin (backed to win him a considerable sum) in the Cambridge Handicap.

Actually he weighed in at 8st 7lb, looking like a ghost, and was beaten by a head. At Lewes, the following week, he had what proved his last ride.

In his weakened state he contracted a chill, which developed into congestion of the lungs and typhoid fever.

Back in Falmouth House, which he had built as his home at Newmarket, such deep depression set in that on November 9, while his sister's back was turned, he seized a loaded revolver and blew out his brains.

Archer, a man of fine loyalty, had named this house after his first patron, Lord Falmouth, to whom he remained faithful to the end of a retainer of only £100 a year.

Probably, his Lordship made it up in presents, for Archer's fortune was once £200,000, though unfortunate dealings in stocks and shares had reduced it to £20,000 at the time of his death.



"No, Tovarich, I'm not interested in missile bases. I'm off to the Queen's Club to weigh up our chances at Wimbledon this year."

London Express Service

INTERPORT REGATTA

Colony To Send 12-Man Team To Manila

Manila, Mar. 25.
Hongkong will send a 12-man team to the 10th Manila-Hongkong Interport Regatta which will get under way at the Manila Yacht Club Bay course on April 5. It was announced last night.

As the Interport series now stands, Hongkong has five stands, Manila four, the usual trend being that the host team wins the meet.

Two types of boats will be used during the series—the Dragons, a standard Olympic yacht, and the international LLO's.—France-Press.

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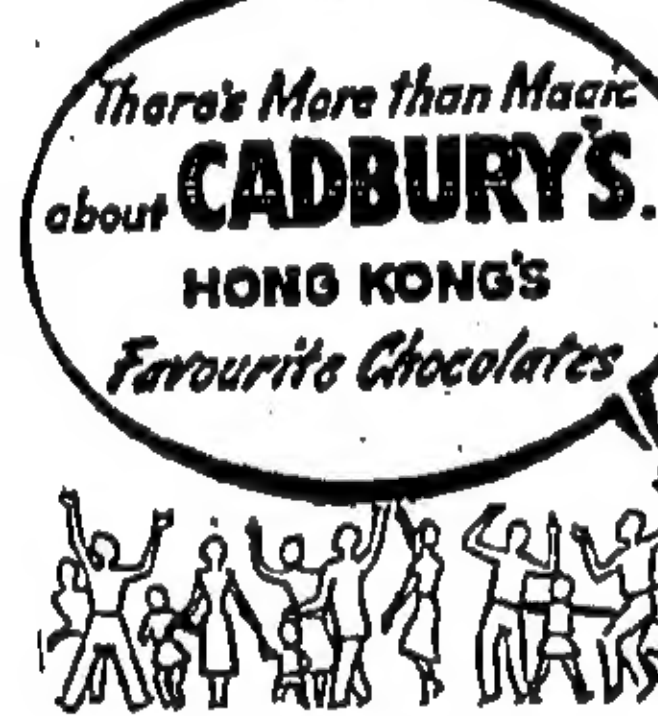
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JOHNNY HAZARD



By Frank Robbins



Many Believe Move Was Made Too Soon

Bank Rate Cut: Lull In The Battle

*But No Surprise
At Action
By Government*

**NEW YORK
COTTON
MARKET**

**The New York
Stock Market**

New York, Mar. 24.

the home front in spite of a per cent drop in prices of imported materials over the past year. Certainly the remedies are working but a false step at this stage might easily undo all the good work of the past six months.... Moreover, severe wage negotiations are entering delicate stage when misinterpretation (of the cut) might jeopardise the whole atmosphere which has been so painfully established during the winter months."

New York Foreign Exchange

New York, Mar. 2

Closing rates were:

Canada	1.01
England official	2.01
New Zealand	2.00
Holland26
Argentina02
Brazil02

Others unchanged.

Note: London exchange rates were unavailable. — U

Press.

United Engineers Ord. \$1
Wearne Bros. \$2
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Special.

**NY COTTONSEED
OIL**

New York, Mar.
Prices of cottonseed oil fu-
closed today in cents per
follows:
May: 16.84; July: 16.67; Sept:
Oct: 16.29; Dec: 16.23; Mar:
Sales 134 contracts—United

071	Monahan	36	ly steady with spot.	Price
072	Montgomery Ward	35 1/2		
073	Monterosso Inc.	36	23-31 18 pence per lb.	Quoted
074	Mail	36	No. 1 Rap	23 1/2
075	National Dairy Prod.	43	Settlement house	23 1/2
076	National Lead	43		
077	National Steel Corp.	47 1/2		
078	New York Central	41 1/2		
079	Norfolk & Western Ry.	31 1/2		
080	North Matheson	41	June	23 1/2
081	Oils Elevators	32 1/2	April/June	23 1/2
082	Oxford Paper Co.	40 1/2	July/Sept.	23 1/2
083	Pacific Gas & Elec.	37 1/2	Oct./Dec.	23 1/2
084	Pacific Electric	40 1/2	Jan./Mar.	23 1/2
085	Paramount Pictures	34 1/2	General markets, cit. basis.	23 1/2
086	Penn. Bk. & Tr.	34 1/2	April	23 1/2
087	Penny S. C. Co.	34 1/2	May	23 1/2
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Our Own Correspondent
Business done on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$518,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions were:

Exchange Rate

Business was done in the unofficial exchange market, opening at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1)
Sterling notes (per £1)
Assam notes (per £1)
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)
Sierra Leone (per 100)
Singapore (Straits)

Paris, Mar. 24.
The French aircraft industry may have to dismiss 20,000 workers in the last half of this year if present budgetary cuts are maintained, Georges Herail, President of the Sud Aviation Company declar-

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London, Mar. 24. Radio Moscow reported today that Russia now processes more oil than Britain, France, Western Germany and Holland combined.

The broadcast quoted a article in Pravda by a member of the State Planning Committee, Vartan Kalamkarov.

He said that Soviet oil output would be increased from 350 to 400 million tons within the next years.

The broadcast said that such goals would be achieved with the use of a turbo-drill and Soviet-designed electric drill machine that is capable of sinking super-deep wells.

United Press.

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Singapore, Mar. 25.—Brokers today quoted the following stock prices:

Open	
Batu Lintang Rubber Co. Ltd.	\$1.75
British Borneo Petroleum Syndicate	30s

United Engineers Ord. \$1.
Wearne Bros. \$3.
Special. cumdly; † ccl. — China

**NY COTTONSEE
OIL**

New York, Mar. 2

Prices of cottonseed oil futures
closed today in cents per bushel
as follows:

May: 18.04; July: 18.07; Sept:
Oct: 18.20; Dec: 18.23; Mar: 18.
Sales 134 contracts.—United 1

New York, Mar. 24.
Prices of cottonseed oil future:
closed today in cents per lb. as
follows:
May: 15.84; July: 15.67; Sept: 15.50
Oct: 15.20; Dec: 15.23; Mar: 15.20.
Sales 134 contracts.—United Press

New York, Mar. 24.

Closing rates were:

Canada	1.01 3/4
England official	2.01-0/1
New Zealand	2.03 1/4
Holland	0.2253
Argentina	0.007
Brazil	

Others unchanged.

Note: London exchange rate were unavailable. — United Press.

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unofficial exchange market	morning at the following rates:	
U.S. dollar (per £1)	5
Sterling notes (per £1)	10
Australian notes (per £1)	12
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	32
Siam ticals (per 100)	20
Singapore (Straits)	1

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China Trade Ban Attacked

London, Mar. 24.
The Daily Express again
attacked the ban on trade
with China in its editorial
today.

Recalling that in Canada
it is said that the Ford
motor plant of that country
could have sold thousands
of cars to China but for
the veto of its American
parent company, the Daily
Express said Britain's trade
with China is far less than
it should be.

The editorial said: "This
absurd situation is due, in
part, to political considera-
tions which have little
meaning in the world to-
day. A ban of export of
the so-called strategic goods
to China doesn't make
sense any more. The time
has come for British trade
policy to get into line with
reality."—London Express
Service.

POLITICIAN APPEARS IN COURT

Belize, Mar. 24.
A crowd of about 300
carried Mr. George Price,
leader of the left-wing
People's United Party,
shoulder high when he
was released on bail after
appearing before a magis-
trate here this morning.

The crowd shouted "Viva
Price. We want self-
government."

Mr. Price was arrested last
night on a charge of seditious
intention.

The hearing was adjourned
until Thursday after the magis-
trate had told the prosecution
that the arrest warrant did not
give particulars of the charge.

NO MENTION

The magistrate said no men-
tion was made in the warrant
of the words used by Mr. Price
at a public meeting last Friday,
which the prosecution holds to
be of seditious intention.

Answering the magistrate, the
prosecution lawyer said the
prosecution intended to get
through with the case so that
it can be sent for trial in the
Supreme Court in April. If a
prima facie case was made out.

Bail was granted in the sum
of 500 British Honduras dollars
in two sureties.—Reuter.

Shake-Up In Syrian Army Seen

London, Mar. 24.
Radio Baghdad reported once
more tonight that a
shake-up among Syrian
Army officers was in the
making.

The broadcast monitored
here, said the Syrian
command of the Arab
Republic First Army under
the beginning of these changes.
The UAR High Command so
far was considering the transfer
or release from the service of
15 Syrian officers, the Baghdad
broadcast said.

ARRESTS

Last night Radio Baghdad re-
ported "a wave of arrests involv-
ing high politicians and Syrian
Army officers" in Damascus.

Some observers, the Iraqi news
report went on, believed that
Bazri was in official custody.
Evidence of this, it said, was that
Bazri had not been seen recently.

Radio Baghdad said further
that "gumming and complaints"
were being heard in
high government circles in
Damascus.—United Press.

London, Mar. 24.
The Textile Mercury, organ of the British
textile industry, today wrote that "Sir
Frank Lee, permanent Secretary to the
Board of Trade, has gone to Hongkong to
see whether he can get Hongkong mill
owners to change their minds about
voluntary limitation of grey cloth exports
to Britain."

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New York, Mar. 24.
Prince Aly Khan gave his
first diplomatic party to-
night as Pakistan's newly-
appointed delegate to the
United Nations.

Pakistani officials said in-
vitations were so much in de-
mand that some had been
forged and were selling on a
striped-pants black market for
\$50 each.

Pakistani delegation officials
said 1,100 invitations had been
issued for a reception at Pakis-
tan House to celebrate this
country's Republic Day and
more than 80 per cent had been
formally accepted. Acceptance
of 90 per cent is normal for
most UN diplomatic parties.

NEW CAPACITY

Pakistani officials said they
knew, however, that invitations
had been forged for the first
social function of the playboy
Prince in his new capacity as
diplomat.

The Pakistani delegation was
prepared to cope with gate-
crashers. There is a check at
the door on all arrivals. If the
"guest" is unknown to the
Pakistani officials, or if his name
does not appear on special list,
he is refused admission.

New York police, who
customarily provide a small
contingent to handle traffic
when diplomatic parties war-
rant it, assigned extra men to
the Pakistani delegation head-
quarters.

Prince Aly Khan presented
his credentials to the UN on
March 4.—United Press.

ISRAEL FOUND GUILTY

Jerusalem, Mar. 24.
The United Nations Mixed
Armistice Commission
found Israel guilty today
of two armistice violations
and asked the Israeli
authorities to take all
possible measures to pre-
vent the recurrence of
such incidents.

The Commission said that on
March 18, a four-year-old Arab
boy was wounded while playing
in a village on the Jordanian
side of the border by fire di-
rected from Israeli forces
manoeuvring in the vicinity.
The second incident, which
the Commission described as a
"deliberate breach of the armistice
agreement," was the killing of
a Jordanian farmer, whose
horse was shot down. Three
armed Israeli soldiers and the
farmer who was ploughing, the
Commission said.

The Commission reported that
20 incidents have occurred since
February, 1957, despite repeated
Israeli assurances.—France-
Presse.

No Visit

New Delhi, Mar. 24.
An Indian Foreign Ministry
spokesman today denied press
reports that President Dr.
Rajendra Prasad would visit a
number of South-East Asian
countries this year.—France-
Presse.

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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I know I've been having a lot of dates lately—but
please remember I'm going steady with four boys!"

New Airport Lighting Work To Start In Few Weeks

The work of providing a complete operational
lighting for the new airport will begin in a
matter of weeks and the task will take a little
more than a year to finish.

By August, 1958, Kai Tak will
be able to take on night flying
and should be in full commer-
cial operation.

The General Electric Co. Ltd.
of England has been awarded
the contract valued at \$2,621,065
and the work of installation will
be carried out by the British
General Electric Co. Ltd. Hong-
Kong, as sub-contractors.

'MONSTER' GETS 20 YEARS

London, Mar. 24.
Albert Edward Matheson,
52-year-old labourer sen-
tenced to death for the
capital murder of a 15-
year-old boy, today had
the conviction reduced to
manslaughter and the
penalty to 20 years' im-
prisonment.

Five judges in the Court of
Criminal Appeal here heard his
appeal against his conviction for
the murder of Gordon Lockhart,
whose mutilated body was found
beneath a boxing-ring in New-
castle, northern England.

Council for the appellant sub-
mitted that the jury at the trial
were so appalled by the atrocious
nature of the crime that they
formed the view that the only
proper penalty was hanging.

Lord Chief Justice Goddard
commented: "It is the most
horrible case I have ever come
across in my experience. He is
a monster—there is no other
word for it."—Reuter.

SOVIET EXPERTS ARRIVE IN UAR General Survey Of Country

Damascus, Mar. 24.
Large groups of Soviet ex-
perts have arrived in the
Egyptian and Syrian prov-
inces of the United Arab
Republic in the past three
days, to begin work pro-
vided for in the economic
assistance agreements
concluded recently in
Moscow.

Twenty-two Soviet geologists
arrived here on Sunday to be-
gin a general survey of Syrian
mineral and petroleum re-
sources.

Four Soviet planes have been
provided for the work of the
mission.

The first group of Soviet ex-
perts has also arrived in Cairo,
it was learned, to carry out
work in connection with pro-
ject evaluated at some 700-
000,000 roubles.—France-Press.

Youths Convicted Of Robbery At Sai Kung

Two youths who took part in a robbery at
Tai Tan Village, Sai Kung, in October
last year, were remanded in custody
until 10 a.m. next Wednesday by Mr
Justice A. D. Scholes at the Criminal
Sessions this morning, for a report on
their suitability for entering a training
centre.

One of them, Lau Yuk-chuen,
18-year-old farmer, was found
guilty by a jury of six men and
one woman, who deliberated for
20 minutes before returning a
majority verdict of six to one.
Lau Pun-sing, 18, farmer,
named as the first accused in the
indictment, had pleaded guilty.

Lau Yuk-chuen was con-
victed of robbing Mr Lee Yuen-
kwong, and a woman, Wong
Sung-tai, of more than \$1,250,
a gold ring and a flashlight in a
stone house in Tai Tan Village
on October 24.

During the robbery, in which
four men took part, two shots
were fired by an armed mem-
ber of the gang.

Mr D.F.O. Mayne, Crown
Counsel, prosecuted, assisted by
Detective Inspector E. R. Moss.
In his cross-examination of Lo
Yung-sing, Police Interpreter,
yesterday, the second accused
put it to him that he (accused)
had not made any statement
admitting his guilt, as alleged,
but that he had been com-
pelled to copy something written
in a detective's notebook
onto a piece of paper.

This morning, Lau Yuk-
chuen elected to say nothing in
his own defence.

After the verdict had been
returned, Lau Pun-sing, who
had pleaded guilty, asked for a
light sentence, saying he had
an old mother to support.

He asked the Court to date
the sentence from the day of
his arrest because he had been
in custody for a long time.

Lau Yuk-chuen asked for a
chance to be allowed to re-
form, and for a short sentence
also, because he had an old
mother.

Mr Mayne told His Lordship
that the Police did not consider
the two accused to be ring-
leaders, but that they were led
on by an older person who was
a well-known bad character.

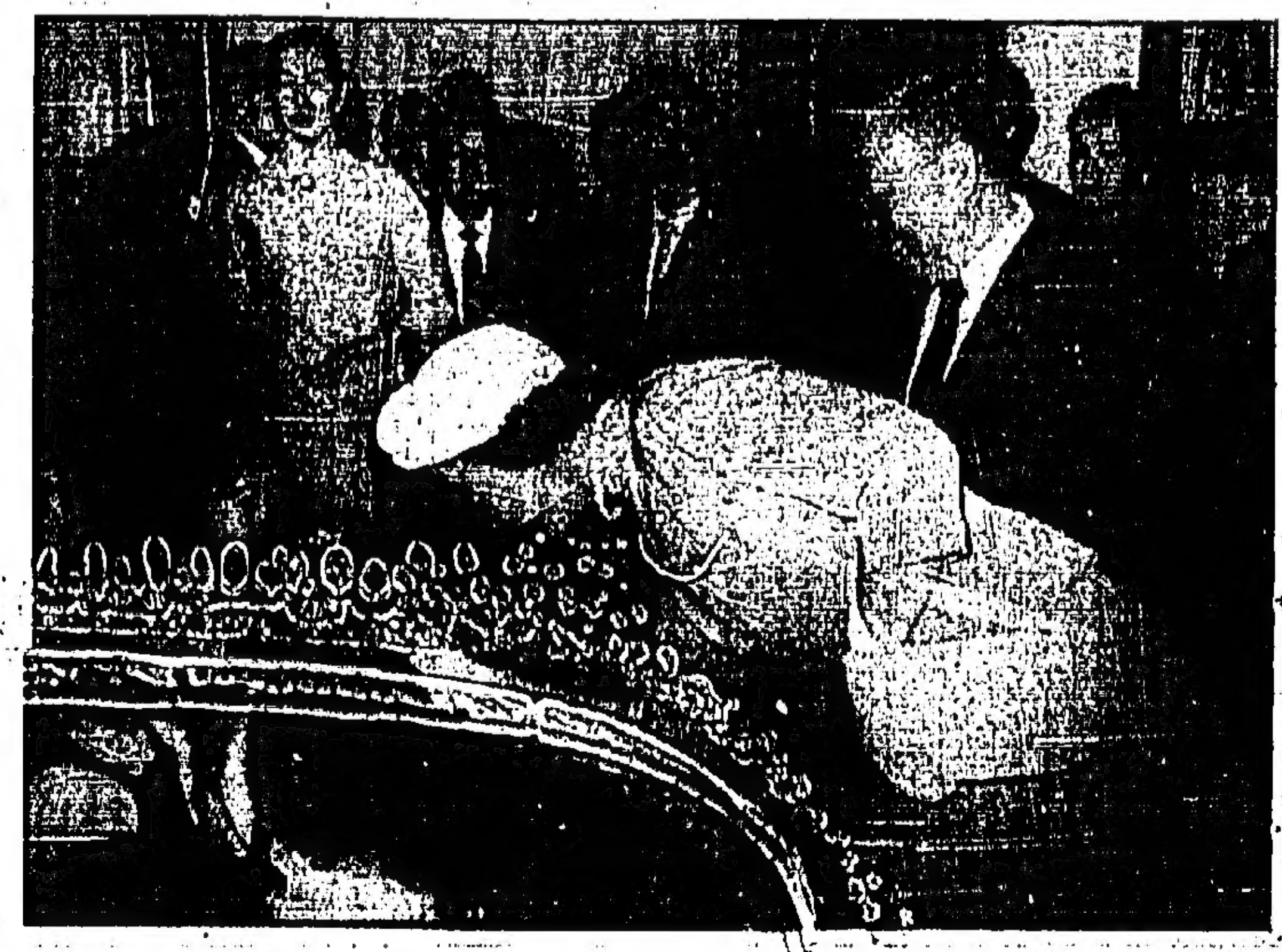
Mr Justice Scholes told the
prisoners that they had been
convicted of a very serious
offence, the maximum sentence
for which was life imprisonment
under 18 statutes of the colony.

But, he continued, in view of
what had been said by Crown
Counsel, and the fact that they
were young and had clean re-
cords, he would remand them
pending a report on their suit-
ability for a training centre, in-
stead of sending them to gaol.

Complainant testified on
Monday that he dismissed the
accused on December 20, 1957,
after six months because he
was not satisfied with his work
and ability.

Pen Pals Wanted

LOH CHOOI TENG—27-A,
Commonwealth Avenue, Singa-
pore, 3. General exchange of
correspondence and views.



Lady Black speaking to some of the children at the Juvenile Care Centre,
Lower Albert Road, this morning. With her is Mr Y. C. Chan, President of the
Centre (see story above, col. 8).—Staff Photographer.

LADY BLACK VISITS CARE CENTRE

By A STAFF REPORTER

The work of the Hongkong
Juvenile Care Centre
among the poor children
of Gloucester was praised by
Lady Black (see picture
below) during her visit to
the Centre and the Lower
Albert Road this morning.
More than 600 street children
attend daily at school lessons
and handicraft training, in
addition to the 80 boarders,
mostly delinquent boys sent for
care and guidance.

A guard of honour of Boy
Scouts of the 25th Company,
Victoria District, lined the
approach to the building where
Lady Black was welcomed by
Mr Chan Nam-chong, President
of the Centre and Mrs Chan
Tung-chau, Chairman.

The Warden, Mr Chau Kwok-
leung, was presented and mem-
bers of the committee including
the Hon. Treasurer, Mr Cheng
Chung-kwan, the Hon. Secre-
tary, Mr Wong Shiu-cheuk and
Advocate Dr. the Hon. S. N. Chan.
Upon her arrival in the
lower assembly hall Lady Black
was entertained by a song of
greeting and a children's
melody, followed by folk dances,
"New Shoes" and "Round
Dance" with rhythmic hand-
clapping. The children were en-
tered by Mr Chung Wai-keung.

On the upper floor kinder-
garten and primary children
were standing quietly, round-
eyed and with hands clasped
together. Lady Black asked
them to ring for her, and ap-
plauded their performance, then
with delight the times joined in
and clapped themselves
enthusiastically.

After a tour of the rest of the
building including the boarders'
quarters, Lady Black was pre-
sented with a sheaf of long-
stemmed roses and a plastic
work-basket made by the
children.

The annual general meeting
of the Care Centre will be held
at 8.30 this afternoon. Lady
Black congratulated the officers
and committee members and
staff upon their fine work be-
fore she left.

Man Injured By Bus

A 52-year-old man, Yeung
Kung-yuen, living at No. 538
"C" Block, Tai Hing Tung, was
knocked down and injured by a
bus in Nathan Road, near St
Andrew's Church, yesterday.
The victim was admitted to
Kowloon Hospital in a serious
condition.

Police Look For Robbers

Police are still looking for
two men, armed with revolvers,
who robbed the Tai Ming Gold-
smith Shop at 401, Shanghai
Street, last night of gold articles
valued at \$8,000.